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Premier Kim Il Sung warmly shaking hands with President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi

TELEGRAMS

✦ Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Premier of the Cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and Comrade **Choi Yong Kun**, President of the Presidium of the Supreme People's Assembly of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, received a telegram sent by **N.V. Podgorny**, President of the Presidium of the USSR Supreme Soviet, who had paid a friendship visit to our country, upon leaving our country.

✦ Premier **Kim Il Sung**, Head of State and Premier of the Cabinet, of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, received a telegram sent by **Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi**, President of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen, upon leaving our country after paying a state visit to our country.

✦ Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Premier of the Cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and Comrade **Choi Yong Kun**, President of the Presidium of the Supreme People's Assembly of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, sent a telegram of greetings to Comrade **Gustav Husak**, First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Czechoslovak Communist Party, Comrade **Ludvik Svoboda**, President of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic and Comrade **Oldrich Cernik**, Prime Minister of the Government of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic, on the occasion of the 24th anniversary of its liberation.

President QAHTAN MUHAMMED AL-SHAABI of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen Pays a State Visit to the D.P.R.K. at the Invitation of Premier KIM IL SUNG

Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi, President of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen, paid a state visit to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea for eleven days from May 27 to June 6 at the invitation of Comrade Kim Il Sung, Head of State and Premier of the Cabinet, of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Accompanying President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi were Saif Ahmed Dhalai, Minister of Finance; Ahmed Saleh Al-Shair, Minister of Agriculture and Agrarian Reform; Haider Abubaker Al-Atas, Minister of Public Works and Communication; Abdullah Muhammed Bin Salman, Director of H.E. President's Office for External and Internal Affairs; Ga-Afer Gomman Rahnatullah, Deputy Permanent Secretary for Development Affairs and Administration at the Ministry of Finance; Mahmmood Saeed Madhi, Director of Trade and Foreign Relations at the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Planning; and Muhammed Awadh Al-Tahas, Head of Asian and East European Branch at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs; and suite members.

ARRIVAL IN PYONGYANG, WARM WELCOME

President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi arrived by a special plane in Pyongyang on May 27.

Pyongyang, the capital of the revolution, was festively decorated on that day in welcome of the guests.

The working people in the city who are spurring on the grand march of Chollima to thoroughly implement the revolutionary line of independence, self-sustenance and self-defence set forth by Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader of the 40 million Korean people, and to hasten the complete victory of socialism in our country and the independent unification of the fatherland turned out on the streets in their holiday best carrying flags and bunches of flowers with a great joy of meeting the friendship mission of the people of the fraternal and new-born People's Republic of Southern Yemen.

A portrait of Comrade Kim Il Sung and a portrait of President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi were respectfully placed in the airfield which was packed to capacity by a large crowd who came out from early morning.

National flags of our country and the People's Republic of Southern Yemen were fluttering side by side on the flag staffs and big balloons with ribbons bearing the words: "Long live Comrade Kim Il Sung!" and "Long live President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi!" and with the national flags of the two countries, were floating high over the airfield.

A guard of honour of three services lined up in the airfield.

The welcoming crowds were waiting for the arrival of the friendship mission, carrying pennants, flowers, multi-coloured balloons and placards bearing the slogans: "Warm welcome to His Excellency Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi, President of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen!" "Long live the friendship between the Korean and Southern Yemeni peoples!" and "Let us intensify the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. struggle!"

Comrade Kim Il Sung was present at the airfield.

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Together with Premier Kim Il Sung and President Choi Yong Kun, President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi reviews a guard of honour of three services

FROM COMRADE KIM IL SUNG'S REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES DURING THE ANTI-JAPANESE ARMED STRUGGLE

Historic Battle That Threw Rays of National Liberation

Comrade Kim Il Sung, the legendary hero of our nation, set up base areas around Mt. Baekdu to lead the Korean revolution to a great upsurge. And he set about realizing his long-planned advance of big units into the homeland.

At that time Korea was in a gloomy situation.

With a vicious end of seizing the whole of Asia, the Japanese imperialist aggressors were perpetrating fascist repression and brigandish plunder against the people to turn Korea into a "supply base" and a "stable rear".

Raving about "Japan and Korea being one community" and "monogenism of the Japanese and Koreans", they prohibited the Korean people from using even their mother tongue. War industry devastated the countryside and Japan's zaibatsu led Korea's national economy to a general bankruptcy.

Indeed, the darkest clouds were hanging over the homeland. Deprived of everything precious to them, the Korean people were hovering between life and death. But they pinned their only hope on the anti-Japanese armed forces led by Comrade Kim Il Sung.

In this very period Comrade Kim Il Sung, the legendary hero of our nation, registered a determination to directly lead his units into the homeland, crush the enemy, raise a torchlight of relief over the heads of the groaning Korean people and instill in them a conviction of victory. In March, 1937 he convened a meeting of commanding personnel from the units of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army in Hsikang, Fusung county and set forth the strategic line of advancing into the homeland.

"...We must advance into the homeland. By so doing, we can give a conviction of victory in revolution to the people in the homeland who are groaning under the rule of the Japanese imperialists. To show that members of our People's Revolutionary Army, sons and daughters of the Korean people, are alive, is enough to give a great inspiration to the people.

"The aim of our advance into the homeland is not to attack and seize big cities. If we advance into Korea and fire a few shots, it will greatly encourage the people.

"If the combined big units of valorous Korean Communists march forward stoutly, it will be a great demonstration.

"To give our people a firm conviction that Korea will surely be restored—herein lies the great significance of the march into the homeland...."

Oil painting: **"Gun report in Bochonbo"**

At this meeting Comrade Kim Il Sung put forward a bold plan of large-scale operation. The main unit of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army was to attack Bochonbo and another unit the Musan area and the third one Lingchiang and Changpai in the border area.

In accordance with his strategic line, each unit started action. The men of a unit of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army personally led by Comrade Kim Il Sung launched a historic march into the homeland in high spirits with a firm conviction of sure victory.

On June 3, 1937 the Korean People's Revolutionary Army at last reached a hill at Kushigol commanding a beautiful scenery of mountains and rivers of the homeland. They admired the magnificent scenery of the homeland that they had longed so much to see in the days of arduous march in snowstorms and fierce battles and in their short sleep by the campfire with the sky as the roof in the alien land.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, looking round hills and rivers of the homeland, again made a close examination of the plan of the coming operation. Meanwhile, the guerillas, cherishing his lofty will in mind, renewed their resolve to shower bullets of revenge upon the enemies with burning hatred for them.

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32nd Anniversary of Victorious Bochonbo Battle Observed

A grand Ryanggang provincial meeting observing the 32nd anniversary of the victory in the historic Bochonbo battle was held on June 4 in Bochon county, Ryanggang Province.

That day, Bochonbo, the place of glory, was festively bedecked.

Holding flowers in hands and singing aloud the "Song of General Kim Il Sung," working people thronged the square in front of the statue of Comrade Kim Il Sung standing imposingly on the Karimchon rivulet, looking up at it with a feeling of reverence.

The meeting place was crowded with more than 15,000 people.

Respectfully placed at the meeting place was a full-length picture of Comrade Kim Il Sung. And seen there were the streamers with slogans reading "Long live Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the 40 million Korean people!" and "Long live the Workers' Party of Korea, the organizer and inspirer of all victories of the Korean people!"

Attending the meeting together with working people, youth and students in the Province and visitors to the revolutionary battle sites were responsible functionaries of local Party and government organs and working people's organizations and anti-Japanese revolutionary fighters.

Amid the playing of the welcome music a basket of flowers was placed in front of the statue of Comrade Kim Il Sung.

A red ribbon attached to the basket of flowers bore the letters "May Comrade Kim Il Sung enjoy good health and a long life!"

The shouts "Long live Comrade Kim Il Sung!" burst forth echoing far and wide and the meeting place was a sea of flowers.

Pak Su Dong, Chief Secretary of the Ryanggang Provincial Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, made the report at the meeting which opened with the playing of the Patriotic Song.

The reporter said:

As one of the major operations brilliantly adorning the militant course of the 15-year-long glorious anti-Japanese armed struggle, the Bochonbo battle fought this day 32 years ago was an historic event of great significance in leading the Korean revolutionary movement as a whole to a great upsurge.

He pointed out that the torchlight lit up by Comrade Kim Il Sung brightening the night sky over Bochonbo struck terror into the hearts of the brigandish Japanese imperialists, instilled the conviction of victory in the Korean people who were undergoing sufferings and had a grudge against the enemy and powerfully inspired them to the anti-Japanese struggle.

Noting that for our people it is a great happiness and pride to have the brilliant revolutionary traditions established by Comrade Kim Il Sung in the period of the glorious anti-Japanese armed struggle, he said that these traditions are invaluable assets which our people must preserve even at the cost of their lives and inherit and carry forward forever from generation to generation.

The faces of the attendants were full of the feelings of infinite reverence for the respected and beloved Leader who gave the hope of national liberation to the Korean people in the grim days of the Japanese imperialist rule and eventually regained the lost fatherland and turned our country, once backward, into a socialist power, and of a firm determination to remain single-heartedly and boundlessly faithful to him like the anti-Japanese guerillas.

A joint meeting of Young Pioneers' organizations and campfire commemoration party of youth and students and working people in Bochon county, sports contests of working people in the Province as well as art performances of the artists of the Ryanggang Provincial Song and Dance Ensemble and art circle members in the county and other functions held in Bochonbo made that day more colourful.

A forum of the members of the League of Socialist Working Youth in the county on the revolutionary traditions and an oratorical contest of youth and students were also held.

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According to the superb plan of operation, the Korean People's Revolutionary Army advanced to Bochonbo, breaking through the strict border guard-line boasted by the Japanese imperialists as an "impregnable fortress."

At 22:00 June 4, with a signal shot fired by Comrade Kim Il Sung, a battle started in Bochonbo.

Now the members of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army put up a swift and bold action to mow down the enemies en masse. In a few minutes the scoundrels in the police sub-station were annihilated, and the sub-county office, the forest protection office, the agricultural experimental station and the post office were enveloped in flames.

The people—men and women, young and old—came out in the streets from every corner of the town, shouting: "Long live General Kim Il Sung!" "Long live Korean revolution!" "Long live Korea's independence!" They embraced the Korean People's Revolutionary Armymen. Handbills of "Ten-Point Programme of the Association for the Restoration of the Fatherland" and Proclamation were scattered in the streets.

The Proclamation reads:

"The most villainous bandits, Japanese imperialists, have occupied Korea. Through its colonial domination by the Government-General for over twenty years, Japanese imperialism has been trampling down and massacring the Korean people. And we Korean compatriots are robbed by it of all the property gained by their sweat and blood, and are forced to lead a miserable life of colonial slavery. Furthermore, the Japanese imperialists are driving the Korean people into serving as an 'advance detachment' in the Second World War, a tool of the aggressive war against China. We Korean nation are at stake. We are the Korean People's Revolutionary Armymen waging a struggle to open the way out for our nation, to bring a worthy life to them, defeat Japanese imperialism and liberate the country. It is universally acknowledged that we have dealt fatal blows to the Japanese imperialist bandits in life and death struggle for the past six or seven years on the vast Manchurian plain.

"Relying on the firm unity between the patriots in Korea and our ardent fighters, this Army has come on an expedition to the areas of North and South Hamgyong Provinces after crossing the Duman and Amrok rivers, with the object of fighting the Government-General of Korea, the vampire that battens on the blood of the Korean people.

"Long-suffering compatriots and brothers!

"Come out at once, rally around the anti-Japanese united national front and respond to the guerilla warfare of this Army by waging struggles of various forms! Fight on to smash the rule of Japanese imperialism at an early date and build a genuine government of the Korean people!"

This earnest appeal evoked burning patriotism and hatred for the enemy among the people.

The people thronged the street in front of the police sub-station. The crowds were filled with boundless joy and emotion when they saw Comrade Kim Il Sung, the national hero, whom they had longed for even in dream.

Comrade Kim Il Sung warmly answering the cheers of the crowd made a fiery speech exposing and denouncing the ferocious atrocities of the Japanese imperialist invaders and calling upon them to closely unite all patriotic forces to fight for freedom and independence of the country and against Japanese imperialism.

After a while, the bugle for the withdrawal of the units sounded. People volunteered to carry the trophies, following the Korean People's Revolutionary Army.

Leaving Bochonbo after the victorious battle, the armymen pledged themselves to completely liberate the country.

Thrown into utter discomfiture by the report on the Bochonbo attack, the Japanese imperialist police and army sent out a large force to pursue the Korean People's Revolutionary Army.

But thanks to Comrade Kim Il Sung's superb tactics our Army annihilated enemy's advance contingents in Mt. Kushi. The large force of the enemy which had chased the Korean People's Revolutionary Army to recover themselves from the miserable defeat again suffered an ignominious defeat in Mt. Chiensanfen on June 30, 1937. Thus the enemy's foolish attempt was completely foiled.

The torchlight of victory raised by Comrade Kim Il Sung in Bochonbo kindled the entire Korean people with the strong flame of revolution, thus demonstrating the indestructible stamina of the Korean people to the world.

The triumph of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army in Bochonbo made the arrogant enemy shudder and gave the stateless Korean people the faith that when they fought they could win, and a great hope for a bright future.

This victory was a flat denial of the enemy's foolish talks about "Japan and Korea being one community" and "monogenism of the Japanese and Koreans," of his absurd assertion that Korean language be abandoned and his brigandish demand that Koreans should serve as bullet-shields for the invasion of the continent. It was also an appeal to the people to smash the enemy and, to this end, to unite themselves and vigorously turn out in the anti-Japanese national-liberation struggle.

The whole land of the country was astir with the news of the victory in the Bochonbo battle. At this great news people in every corner of the homeland hugged each other for joy, shouting "Long live General Kim Il Sung!"

Around this time the Japanese imperialists who had been preparing for the invasion of the continent unleashed an allout aggressive war against China in July, 1937. They mobilized all their manpower and materiel and embarked upon the intensification of plunder and repression against the people in Korea.

In view of the newly obtaining situation Comrade Kim Il Sung set forth a new line of struggle in his speech at the meeting of commanding officers and soldiers of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army held in August, 1937 and in his appeal to the entire Korean people issued in September of the same year.

In the appeal he made a scientific analysis of the political, economic and military weakness of Japanese imperialism and pointed out that the expansion of its aggressive war would meet with a strong resistance of the broad anti-Japanese revolutionary forces at home and abroad and only lead to the inevitable defeat of the Japanese imperialists. Noting that the created situation was developing in favour of the country's liberation, he stressed that the Korean People's Revolutionary Army should intensify the armed struggle in the enemy's rear to deal more powerful political and military blows at the Japanese imperialist invaders and that many political workers should be dispatched to the homeland to expand the anti-Japanese united national front movement. Then he called on the entire Korean people to prepare an all-people war of resistance in combination with military actions of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army.

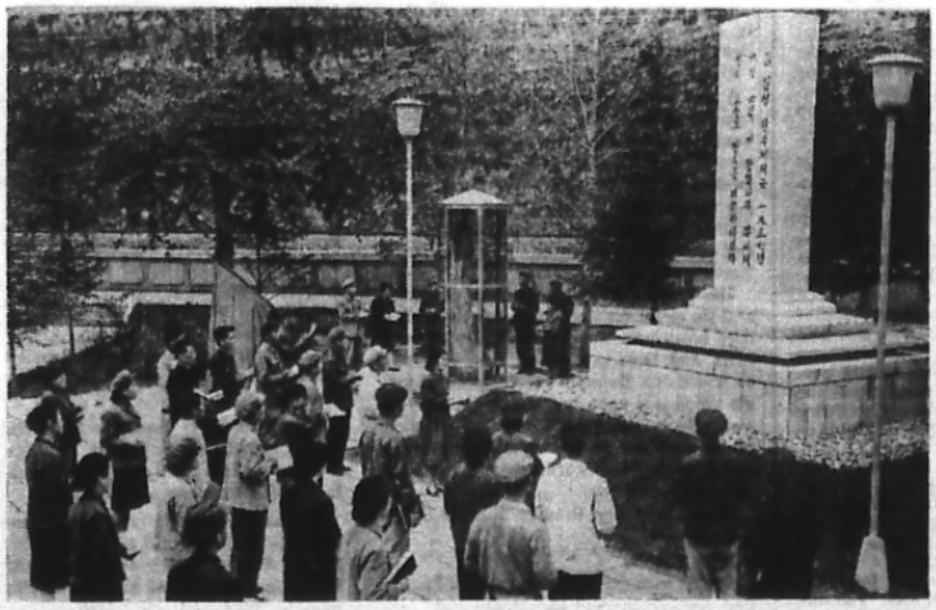
His appeal inspired the Korean People's Revolutionary Army and the entire Korean people to a new struggle.

In accordance with the line set forth by Comrade Kim Il Sung the units of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army attacked towns, destroyed enemy's military establishments and harassed his rear, striking severe blows to the enemy.

Many political workers went into different parts of the homeland to expand the networks of the Association for the Restoration of the Fatherland and organize and mobilize the broad masses of the people to a new struggle.

Thus, the struggle surged up. No brutal repression could check the revolutionary advance of the Korean people who had come out in a life and death fight for liberation and freedom, looking up to Comrade Kim Il Sung.

Ji Ryong Cha



This is the spot where Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, commanded the Bochonbo battle on June 4, 1937. Everyday numerous working people from various parts of the country visit this place to profoundly learn the sagacity of the guidance of the Leader and his outstanding strategy and tactics

Comrade KIM IL SUNG Receives DRV Ambassador

Comrade Kim Il Sung received on June 4 Le Thiet Hung, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam to our country, at the request of the latter.

Comrade Kim Il Sung heard from Ambassador Le Thiet Hung about the recent situation of Vietnam and congratulated the Vietnamese people upon the great victory they have won in the sacred war of resistance against U.S. imperialism for national salvation, and expressed firm solidarity with the heroic struggle of the Vietnamese people against the U.S. imperialist aggressors, the common enemy, and for the reunification of the country and said that in the future, too, the Korean people would fight shoulder to shoulder with the brotherly Vietnamese people in the anti-U.S. common struggle.

Comrade Kim Il Sung expressed full support to the ten-points clarified in the "principles and main content of the overall solution to the South Vietnam problem to help restore peace in Vietnam" issued some time ago by the South Vietnam National Front for Liberation.

Present on the occasion was Pak Sung Chul, Vice-Premier and Foreign Minister.

Premier KIM IL SUNG Receives Representative Director of Japan-Korea Association

Premier Kim Il Sung received on June 2 Masaharu Hatanaka, Representative Director of the Japan-Korea Association, and his wife who had been visiting our country.

Present on the occasion was Kim Gwan Sop, acting Chairman of the Korean Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries.

Premier Kim Il Sung had a friendly talk with the guests.

Southern Yemeni Armed Forces and People

Crushed Enemy's New Aggressive Manoeuvres,

Declares President of People's Republic of Southern Yemen

Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi, President of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen, declared as follows in connection with the fact that the armed forces and people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen smashed the fresh aggressive manoeuvre of the enemy against the People's Republic of Southern Yemen:

I declared at the banquet I gave on the evening of June 4 concluding my state visit to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea that the armed forces, social security armed forces and people's armed forces of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen crushed a new aggression the imperialists, colonialists and reactionaries organized during my visit to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to deal a blow at the people's revolution of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen by instigating all the counter-revolutionary forces, stooges and mercenaries.

What I would like to add is that the battle continued nearly for one week, during which the enemies sustained big losses of manpower and materials. These materials are heavy and light weapons the U.S. imperialists and reactionaries supplied to them.

The people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and their armed forces won a decisive victory in the recent battle, too, as they had always crushed all the intrigues and manoeuvres to deal a blow to the People's Republic of Southern Yemen.

GOVERNMENT DELEGATION OF OUR COUNTRY LEAVES FOR REPUBLIC OF IRAQ

A government delegation of our country left here on June 6 by air to visit the Republic of Iraq at the invitation of the Government of the Republic of Iraq.

The delegation is headed by Ahn Sung Hak, Minister of Commerce.

President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen making a courtesy call on Premier Kim Il Sung

The Visit of Your Excellency Mr. President to Our Country Will Make a Great Contribution to further Developing the Relations of Friendship and Co-operation between the Peoples of the Two Countries and Promoting the Common Cause against Imperialism

Speech of Premier KIM IL SUNG

AT THE AIRFIELD

Your Excellency esteemed President Mr. Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi,

Esteemed guests from the People's Republic of Southern Yemen,

Comrades and friends,

In the name of the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the entire Korean people, I warmly welcome the visit to our country of Your Excellency President Mr. Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi, the outstanding leader of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen, and your party.

Our people are very happy today to greet you who have come a long way to see us.

The peoples of Korea and the People's Republic of Southern Yemen, both of whom underwent the painful sufferings of colonial rule in the past, have now become close friends in the course of the common struggle against imperialism and colonialism headed by U.S. imperialism and for the independent development of their countries.

The valiant people of Southern Yemen overthrew imperialist colonial rule and achieved the independence of the country through an arduous armed struggle.

The Korean people rejoice at seeing the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen vigorously marching on along the road of revolution today in order to wipe out the aftermaths of colonial rule and build a new, prosperous society under the leadership of Your Excellency President Mr. Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi and express full support to and solidarity with them in their just struggle.

Your Excellency Mr. President has come to our country this time with the fraternal feelings of friendship of the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen who stand on the same front with our people.

This visit constitutes an inspiration to our people who are now dynamically carrying on economic construction in parallel with defence upbuilding to cope with the U.S. imperialists' manoeuvres to provoke a new war and unfolding a strained struggle for the complete victory of socialism and the independent peaceful unification of the country.

We are sure that the current visit of Your Excellency Mr. President to our country will make a great contribution to further developing the relations of friendship and co-operation between the peoples of our two countries and promoting the common cause of the peoples who are opposed to imperialism.

Your Excellency Mr. President,

You will receive cordial welcome and hospitality of our people wherever you may go in our country and closely perceive the deep feelings of friendship of the Korean people towards Your Excellency Mr. President and the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen.

I sincerely hope Your Excellency Mr. President and the distinguished guests from the People's Republic of Southern Yemen to feel yourselves at home and enjoy pleasant and fruitful days during your stay here in our country.

Long live the friendship and solidarity between the peoples of Korea and the People's Republic of Southern Yemen!

Long live the solidarity of the peoples of Asia, Africa, Latin America and the peoples of the whole world!

I Convey the Greetings of the People of Southern Yemen and the National Front and the Revolutionary Govt. to Your Excellency KIM IL SUNG, the Great Chief, Outstanding Leader and Our Comrade, and to the Workers' Party of Korea, the Korean People and the Revolutionary Govt.

Speech of President QAHTAN MUHAMMED AL-SHAABI

AT THE AIRFIELD

Your Excellency Premier Kim Il Sung, Head of State of the friendly Democratic People's Republic of Korea, outstanding leader and our comrade and friend,

Dear friends of the great Workers' Party of Korea and the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea,

Great and friendly Korean people,

I and my comrades are very happy to come here from the People's Republic of Southern Yemen to visit the friendly Democratic People's Republic of Korea and meet Your Excellency Premier Kim Il Sung, the outstanding leader of the world liberation movement and socialist movement and our great comrade, and the great Korean people.

The peoples of our two close countries and the great revolutions of our two countries have been sincerely united with each other and have established firm relations of friendship through the common struggle resolutely opposing world imperialism and colonialism headed by the United States and the reactionaries and stooges and opposing backwardness and exploitation of man by man.

Your Excellency Premier Kim Il Sung, our comrade,

Dear friends,

At this moment when we set foot for the first time on the soil of friendly and heroic Korea, I and my friends of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen extend, first of all, heartfelt thanks to Premier Kim Il Sung, our intimate friend, and comrades cadres of the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Workers' Party of Korea, a great Party, and to the great and friendly Korean people for meeting us in such grand style as this.

We think this is an expression of the sincere sentiments of our friends towards the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen.

I would like also to convey the greetings of the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and the National Front, our political organization, and the revolutionary government to His Excellency Kim Il Sung, the great Chief, outstanding Leader and our friend and comrade, and to the Workers' Party of Korea, the people of the friendly Democratic People's Republic of Korea and its revolutionary government.

We also express thanks to His Excellency Premier Kim Il Sung, our comrade, for inviting us to visit the friendly Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

We are practically waging a common struggle against world imperialism headed by the United States and dirty reaction, feudalism and capital and exploitation of man by man and are taking a common stand.

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The Korean People Will Always Stand Firm by the People of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen in the Common Struggle against Imperialism Headed by U.S. Imperialism

Speech of Premier KIM IL SUNG

AT BANQUET GIVEN IN HONOUR OF PRESIDENT QAHTAN MUHAMMED AL-SHAABI

Your Excellency esteemed President Mr. Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi,

Esteemed distinguished guests from the People's Republic of Southern Yemen,

Dear comrades and friends,

Today we are very happy to receive and get together so cordially with our close friend, Your Excellency President Mr. Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi, and the guests from the People's Republic of Southern Yemen, here in Pyongyang, the capital of our country.

On behalf of the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Korean people, I again warmly welcome Your Excellency Mr. President and your party.

Our country and the People's Republic of Southern Yemen are situated far away from each other, but the peoples of the two countries are closely interlinked and have formed fraternal friendship in the revolutionary struggle against imperialism and colonialism, the common enemy.

The people of Southern Yemen drove out the British imperialists and finally won national independence through an arduous armed struggle and founded a people's republic in November 1967.

After independence, the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen under the leadership of their outstanding leader President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi are crushing the colonial ruling machine, establishing a progressive social system, enforcing a series of democratic reforms, strengthening the revolutionary forces and waging a vigorous struggle to build an independent national economy and culture, while continually upholding the banner of revolution and valiantly overcoming all difficulties which inevitably crop up in the early stage of national construction.

The imperialists headed by U.S. imperialism and their stooges are perpetrating various conspiratorial manoeuvres including repeated armed provocations in an attempt to strangulate the People's Republic of Southern Yemen.

The people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen, however, have repulsed the insidious enemy's manoeuvres each time and are marching firmly along the path of their choice to freedom and happiness, holding to a principled stand of making no compromise with the imperialists in whatever adversities.

In the domain of foreign policy, too, the Government of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen is strongly opposed to the U.S. and British imperialists and the Israeli expansionists and making positive endeavours to win the victory of the just cause of the Arab peoples and strengthen the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. forces of the world.

The founding of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and its continued progress are another striking proof of the trend of the development of our times in which the forceful tide of national liberation is rising with an irresistible force.

The Korean people rejoice over the successes the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen gained in the building of a new society by displaying a high degree of revolutionary spirit, and sincerely wish them brilliant victory in their struggle to consummate the anti-imperialist national-liberation revolution.

Your Excellency Mr. President,

We note with satisfaction that the relations of friendship and co-operation between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the People's Republic of Southern Yemen are strengthening and developing with each passing day in all fields after the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries.

The current visit of Your Excellency Mr. President to our country will mark an epochal occasion in deepening mutual understanding and further cementing friendship and solidarity between the peoples of our two countries and contribute to the strengthening of solidarity among the progressive peoples of the world.

The Korean people will always stand firm by the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen in the common struggle against imperialism headed by U.S. imperialism and march on closely hand in hand with them along the sole road to victory.

I propose a toast at this place overflowing with the feelings of harmony and friendship to the prosperity and progress of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen, to the friendship and solidarity between the peoples of Korea and the People's Republic of Southern Yemen, to the health of Your Excellency esteemed President Mr. Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi, to the health of the distinguished guests from the People's Republic of Southern Yemen, to the health of the diplomatic representatives of various countries, and to the health of comrades and friends present here.

The Korean People Gave a Never-to-Be-Forgotten Lesson to the World Imperialists Headed by U.S. Imperialism and Opened up the Road of Abolishing Imperialism Once and for All

Speech of President QAHTAN MUHAMMED AL-SHAABI

AT BANQUET GIVEN BY PREMIER KIM IL SUNG

Premier Kim Il Sung, Head of State and Premier of the Cabinet, of the friendly Democratic People's Republic of Korea and our great friend,

Dear friends,

Great Comrade Premier Kim Il Sung,

Dear friends,

On behalf of my colleagues members of the delegation, the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and the National Front, their political leading organization, the revolutionary government and in my own name, I express, first of all, boundless thanks to Comrade Premier Kim Il Sung, the militant, outstanding leader and our friend, and the masses of heroic and militant Korean people for the unusually warm hospitality and welcome accorded us upon our arrival today.

We regard all this welcome and hospitality accorded us as a hospitality offered to the revolution of the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen, your friends, to the entire Arab peoples, your friends, who are, like you, opposed to world imperialism, and to the peoples of all countries fighting for freedom and progress and for turning backward social status into progressive socialist social system.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader,

Dear friends,

When the plane carrying us reached the ground this morning in this friendly and militant land, I said that we were happy to come here from the People's Republic of Southern Yemen to visit the friendly Democratic People's Republic of Korea and meet Premier Kim Il Sung, the militant, outstanding leader of the world liberation movement and socialist movement and our great comrade, and the great Korean people.

The friendly peoples of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea are in common situation in many respects. Almost similar, indeed, is the situation of the people of the great People's Republic of Southern Yemen and the people of the friendly and great Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The people of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea achieved a tremendous victory in the struggle against Japanese imperialism through the all-out liberation war under the leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Premier, who knows the might and ability of the Korean people and has a full understanding of the aspiration of the masses of the Korean people, and won a great victory in the three-year war by thoroughly smashing the aggression of the U.S. imperialists.

And the Korean people explored the road toward freedom and socialism.

The people of the great People's Republic of Southern Yemen who had fought, generation after generation, against the British colonialists launched an armed revolution against British colonialism on October 14, 1963, under the leadership of the National Front, their vanguard organization. Our people achieved a great victory by waging the fierce four-year liberation struggle and drove the colonialists out of the territory of their country once and for good. On November 30, 1967 our people became the master of the territory of their country and proclaimed complete independence.

Our people explored the road of freedom and chose the road for bringing about the complete socialist changes.

The fighting peoples of the friendly two countries are today confronted with the vicious machinations of the imperialists.

The great peoples of our two countries are striving to safeguard the gains of revolution, though they are faced with the manoeuvrings of the imperialists which have been exposed, held in check and condemned in the world.

You encountered here the open aggression by the U.S. imperialists and such imperialist intrigues as the sea and aerial espionage acts of the U.S. imperialists against the great and friendly Democratic People's Republic of Korea and its people led by Comrade Premier Kim Il Sung, the outstanding leader.

However, you gave a never-to-be-forgotten lesson to the world imperialists headed by the United States in the past and today and opened up before mankind the road of abolishing imperialism and exploitation of man by man once and for all.

The U.S. imperialists are still occupying the southern half of Korea by force of arms and continuously reinforcing the aggressor armed forces in South Korea.

And they are openly committing almost every day military provocations against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea on the ground and the sea and in the air.

In the name of the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen, we

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At the same time, we are both determined to carry out the line on stepping up economic construction and defence upbuilding in parallel put forth by Premier Kim Il Sung, our intimate friend, in order to develop the countries, and are translating it into practice.

Since the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen won independence, the peoples of our two countries and the revolutions of our two countries have endeavoured to meet each other on the principles of equality and mutual respect and on the basis of a common stand.

Such contacts and solidarity were practical from the beginning.

Your Excellency great Premier Kim Il Sung, our comrade,

Dear friends,

I reassure you that the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and the National Front, our political organization, and the revolutionary government and I myself fully support the struggle being waged by the people of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea under the leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the outstanding leader, against the U.S. imperialists who invaded the Korean people and occupied South Korea, part of the territory of Korea.

At the same time we, together with you, demand the withdrawal of the U.S. imperialist aggressor troops from South Korea and consider that the unification of Korea should be realized in accordance with the will of the masses of the Korean people without any interference of the U.S. imperialists and their lackeys.

In conclusion, I once again express my thanks to Your Excellency Premier Kim Il Sung, our great friend, and to the great Korean people, the Party and the revolutionary government for the invitation extended to us to visit the friendly Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and for this grand welcome accorded us by Your Excellency Premier and the great and friendly Korean people.

We are convinced that our visit this time will undoubtedly contribute to further strengthening the relations of friendship between the peoples of our two countries and the close relations of friendship formed between the governments of the two countries and the revolutions of the two countries.

We are convinced that the great Korean people, in response to the call of their Leader and Party, will vigorously push ahead in a revolutionary way with economic construction and defence upbuilding at the speed of Chollima, the symbol of the march of the great Korean people.

Long live the Arab-Korea friendship in opposing world imperialism and colonialism headed by the United States, and the reactionaries and lackeys and in opposing Israel, the bridgehead of world imperialism in our Arab fatherland, the plunderer of the Arab territory, which is bound to perish by the struggle of the masses of the Arab people!

Long live the friendship between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the People's Republic of Southern Yemen!

Long live Comrade Premier Kim Il Sung, our great friend and outstanding leader!

Long live the great Korean people!

Long live the struggle of the Asian, African and Latin American peoples against world imperialism and colonialism and for freedom and socialism!

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decidedly declare that the United States must quit Korea, withdraw its troops, stop interfering in the internal affairs of the homogeneous Korean people and let the Korean people decide their destiny by themselves and unify their territory in full accordance with their will free from any interference of the U.S. imperialist aggressor forces.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader,

Dear friends,

Like the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen are confronted with the intrigues and manoeuvres of the imperialists and colonialists headed by the United States and Britain who are desperately trying to liquidate the progressive and revolutionary system of the Republic established through the struggle of forerunners and through the armed struggle, with the intrigues and manoeuvres of their lackeys, reactionaries of Saudi Arabia.

It is time to change the backward social status left by colonialism.

From the first days of our independence on November 30, 1967, we have been in confrontation with the aggression of the United States and its stooge, reactionary kingdom of Saudi Arabia, and other counter-revolution.

But our people smashed repeated aggressions one by one and are advancing toward socialism for the great socialist transformation, upholding the immortal slogan—construction in one hand and defence in the other.

The masses of our people of the Yemeni Arab Republic in the north of Yemen are fighting against U.S. imperialism and the reactionaries of Saudi Arabia and against the reactionary feudal system which brought to failure the September 26 Revolution in the Yemeni Arab Republic and was imposed upon Sana to stop our progressive revolution in the People's Republic of Southern Yemen.

Premier Kim Il Sung, great friend,

Dear friends,

Our labouring masses of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen, the master of the actual interests of revolution and social change, defeated the imperialist forces in the mass people's revolution through the four-year arduous armed struggle and achieved independence on November 30, 1967.

Since then they have been waging a more difficult and arduous struggle against the intrigues and manoeuvres and aggression of the imperialists and reactionaries, with the same revolutionary stamina and determination. They have entered the stage of construction, development and social revolution.

An end was put to the 129-year-long colonial rule over our country through the armed struggle, but it left us a backward country and a host of difficult problems and obstacles.

The colonialists neither built any productive establishments nor achieved any development in the protracted period of the vicious rule. The colonialists have created a serious financial and economic crisis for us to strangulate the revolution, obliterate the new system and break into again through the window after they were driven out through the gate.

But, our people are forging ahead, dauntlessly facing all this resistance.

Premier Kim Il Sung, great friend,

Dear friends,

I stress once again that our meeting today in your militant and great country is a practical embodiment of the common stand and struggle against world imperialism headed by the United States, corrupt reactionaries, feudalism, capitalism and exploitation of man by man.

This is for attaining our great socialist goal.

This meeting and solidarity practically began with the visit of a delegation of the friendly Democratic People's Republic of Korea headed by Kang Ryang Uk, our friend and Vice-President of the Presidium of the Supreme People's Assembly, in February 1968.

Later, a delegation of our Republic headed by Ahmed Saleh Al-Shair, Minister of Agriculture and Agrarian Reform, visited your friendly country. Then, another delegation headed by Abdulla Ali Uqba, Minister of Culture and National Guidance, attended your national celebrations.

And the Embassy of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea opened in Aden and economic and technical delegations of the friendly Democratic People's Republic of Korea visited the People's Republic of Southern Yemen.

Undoubtedly, the relations of unshakable friendship between our two countries are being consolidated continuously.

Such relations between us are not only traditional relations, but also relations based on the common stand and principle and mutual respect.

Premier Kim Il Sung, great friend,

Dear friends,

I once again emphasize that the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen, the master of the actual interests of revolution and social change, and the entire Arab working people are standing foursquare behind the people of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea who are under the leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, their leader, in the struggle against U.S. imperialism, in the struggle for making socialist successes and developing the industry and agriculture of the country for the happiness of the friendly and great Korean people and in the struggle for achieving the unification of the 40 million Korean people and the territory of North and South Korea.

I express thanks to you in the name of the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and the National Front, our political organization, and the revolutionary government and in my own name for the encouragement extended us by the people of the friendly Democratic People's Republic of Korea under the leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung.

This encouragement undoubtedly is a correct embodiment of the Marxist-Leninist principle, which the people of the friendly Democratic People's Republic of Korea have faith in and Premier Kim Il Sung, our great comrade, is endeavouring to further develop.

Today the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen who are carrying out as the initial stage the programme for accomplishing the stage of the democratic, national liberation relying on themselves extend heartfelt thanks to the people of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the peoples of all socialist countries for their encouragement.

We are advancing toward the socialist changes on the basis of the national programme of the revolution in the stage of liquidating colonialism, imperialism, feudalism, monopoly bourgeoisie and exploitation of man by man.

Premier Kim Il Sung, great friend,

Dear friends,

World imperialism headed by the United States did not confine itself to aggression against the people to deprive us of the gains of the revolution won through the arduous struggle and sacrifice of forerunners, but attempted criminal acts against the Arab nation by infiltrating cloak-and-dagger men into our Arab land and rigged up the fascist state of Israel to use it as the bridgehead of world imperialism in the Arab fatherland.

The Zionist clique with the backing of world imperialism headed by the United States expelled the people of Arab, Palestine from their territory and plundered their property.

With the backing of the ground, naval and air forces of the imperialists including the United States, they ceaselessly committed aggression against the Arab nation in 1956 and 1967 and occupied more Arab territory and expelled more her people.

The Zionist clique have made desperate efforts to stamp out the liberated progressive organizations of the Arab fatherland including the fraternal United Arab Republic and Syrian Arab Republic and subdue them completely to the world imperialist and capitalist system headed by the United States.

But the masses of our Arab people and their revolutionary leadership will never overlook the fact that Arab territories including the territory of Palestine are not yet liberated.

The Zionist bandits must go back to their den.

Only revolutionary violence is necessary for our Arab masses to liberate the whole Arab territories including Palestine which has been occupied for 20 years.

The armed struggle of Palestine is today hewing its way vigorously and staunchly.

Today the masses of the Arab people under the revolutionary leadership are prepared for an arduous struggle against Israel, which is virtually the bridgehead of world imperialism headed by the United States in the Arab fatherland.

We express thanks to the people of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea under the leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the outstanding leader, for their support to the Arab nations fighting against imperialism and Israel on our Arab soil.

The Arab people will surely win a great victory in the struggle against the forces of oppression and exploitation and will forge ahead along the road of the people's democratic revolution for achieving the worthy socialist unity.

U.S. imperialism also egged on Iran, its stooge, to intrude into the territorial waters of Arab and perpetrate open aggression against the fraternal Iraqi Republic.

This is aimed at making fraternal Iraq withdraw its troops from the eastern front against Israel.

And Iran, a stooge of U.S. imperialism, is scheming to dominate the area of the Arabs Gulf and colluding with the reactionaries of Saudi Arabia and the United States to strangulate the revolution of the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen.

But the Arab people will fight resolutely against all these aggression and intrigues and will surely win victory on the front against aggression.

I reassure you that we are standing firm on the side of the heroic Vietnamese people and on the side of the South Vietnam National Front for Liberation for liberating South Vietnam from the occupation of the U.S. imperialists, choosing its system in accordance with the will of the people and achieving the reunification of the country.

We resolutely denounce the aggression of the U.S. imperialists against the heroic Vietnamese people and support the South Vietnam National Front for Liberation.

We stand firm on the side of the democratic, national-liberation movement of Asia, Africa and Latin America.

We will decidedly counter all sorts of machinations of the imperialists and colonialists and reactionaries against the forces of socialism and people's democracy.

We will continue to decidely oppose racial descrimination in Rhodesia, South Africa and the United States.

We are on the side of the peoples of the socialist countries against imperialism and colonialism and support their great cause of socialism.

In conclusion I express thanks to Premier Kim Il Sung, our great friend, and to the great Korean people and their Party and their revolutionary government for the invitation extended to us by Premier Kim Il Sung, our great friend.

Our current visit will undoubtedly be conducive to strengthening the solid relations of friendship between the peoples and governments of our two countries.

Dear friends,

I propose to drink a toast to the good health of Premier Kim Il Sung, Head of State and Premier of the Cabinet, of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and our great friend, to the good health of all dear friends of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, to the friendship between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the People's Republic of Southern Yemen, to the friendship between all Arab peoples and the people of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and to the heroic struggle of the working masses of the whole world for freedom and dignity and for progressive socialist society.

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Also seen at the airfield were President Choi Yong Kun of the Presidium of the Supreme People's Assembly; First Vice-Premier Kim Il; Vice-Premier and Minister of Foreign Affairs Pak Sung Chul; and other responsible cadres and personages of all circles and home and foreign correspondents.

Diplomatic representatives from foreign countries in Pyongyang were also on hand in the airfield.

At 11 a.m. a special plane carrying the distinguished guests escorted by a formation of pursuit planes of the air force of the Korean People's Army appeared in the air above the airfield and slowly touched the ground.

The crowd warmly welcomed the guests.

President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi alighted from the plane, waving his hand to the warmly welcoming crowd.

Premier Kim Il Sung warmly shook hands with President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi.

Little girls presented bunches of fragrant flowers to the guests.

At the airfield a grand ceremony was held in welcome of President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi.

The national anthem of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and the Patriotic Song of our country were played. And a salute of 21 guns was fired.

Accompanied by Premier Kim Il Sung and President Choi Yong Kun, President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi reviewed the guard of honour of three services.

Premier Kim Il Sung and President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi exchanged speeches.

After the welcome ceremony, Premier Kim Il Sung and President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi got in the car and headed for the gaily decorated city of Pyongyang amid the warm cheers of the crowd.

The cars carrying the Southern Yemeni President and his party rode along the long route to the city receiving the enthusiastic welcome of hundreds of thousands of flower-waving crowds.

On their way to the capital the cars carrying the guests were halted many times by crowds in their holiday best dancing, singing, cheering, and waving bouquets, and showered with coloured paper-streamers and confetti. Bunches of fragrant flowers were presented to Premier Kim Il Sung and President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi.

COURTESY CALL, RETURN CALL

In the afternoon of the day when he arrived in Pyongyang the Southern Yemeni President paid a courtesy call on Premier Kim Il Sung.

On the next day Premier Kim Il Sung made a return call on President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi.

On these occasions Premier Kim Il Sung and President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi had friendly talks.

TALKS

On May 28 and 31 Premier Kim Il Sung and President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi had talks.

Present at the talks from the Korean side were President Choi Yong Kun of the Presidium of the Supreme People's Assembly; First Vice-Premier Kim Il; Vice-Premier and Minister of Foreign Affairs Pak Sung Chul; and other cadres.

Present at the talks from the side of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen were Saif Ahmed Dhalai, Minister of Finance; Ahmed Saleh Al-Shair, Minister of Agriculture and Agrarian Reform; Haider Abubaker Al-Atas, Minister of Public Works and Communication; and Abdullah Muhammed Bin Salman, Director of H.E. President's Office for External and Internal Affairs.

At the talks, both sides exchanged views on further strengthening and developing the relations of friendship and co-operation between the two countries and on a series of questions of mutual concern.

The talks proceeded in a friendly atmosphere from beginning to end.

AGREEMENT SIGNED

On June 5 an agreement on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea giving economic aid to the People's Republic of Southern Yemen was signed between both governments in Pyongyang.

Present at the signing ceremony from the Korean side were Premier Kim Il Sung, President Choi Yong Kun, First Vice-Premier Kim Il, Vice-Premier and Foreign Minister Pak Sung Chul and other cadres.

Present also there from the Southern Yemeni side were President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi, and other cadres of the Government of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen accompanying him. The agreement was signed by Yun Gi Bok, Minister of Finance, on behalf of the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and Saif Ahmed Dhalai, Minister of Finance, on behalf of the Government of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen.

In accordance with the agreement, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea is to give financial and economic aid gratis to the People's Republic of Southern Yemen.

This agreement will contribute to further cementing and developing the relations of friendship and co-operation formed between the peoples of the two countries.

BANQUETS

On May 27 Premier Kim Il Sung gave a grand banquet in honour of President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi at the Mansudae Assembly Hall.

At the banquet Premier Kim Il Sung and President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi exchanged speeches.

On June 4 President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi gave a banquet at the Okryugwan Hall. Premier Kim Il Sung was invited to the banquet.

President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi and Premier Kim Il Sung made speeches at the banquet.

Both banquets took place in an amicable and friendly atmosphere from beginning to end.

PYONGYANG WELCOME MEETING

A grand Pyongyang city mass meeting was held in the Mansudae Assembly Hall on May 28 in welcome of President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi.

Respectfully placed on the platform of the meeting hall were the portraits of Premier Kim Il Sung and President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi and there were hung the national flags of the two countries.

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We Saw the Korean People under the Leadership of Their Great Leader Registering Great Revolutionary and Socialist Successes in All Domains

Speech of President QAHTAN MUHAMMED AL-SHAABI

AT BANQUET GIVEN IN HONOUR OF PREMIER KIM IL SUNG

Your Excellency Premier Kim Il Sung, great friend,

Dear friends,

We are very happy to sit around one table this evening together with Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader, and many Korean comrades in an atmosphere overflowing with the feeling of fraternal friendship, here in Pyongyang, the capital of the great and friendly Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Premier Kim Il Sung, great friend,

Dear friends,

I and my colleagues are proud of expressing, here in this place at a time when our visit to your great and friendly country is drawing to a close, unbounded thanks of ours, the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and the National Front, their political organization, and the revolutionary government to you and the friendly Korean people for the unprecedented warm hospitality and welcome accorded us wherever we went from the time of our arrival in this friendly country. We were accorded really unprecedentedly warm hospitality and welcome by you and the friendly Korean people wherever we went—everywhere in Pyongyang and Wonsan, at the cooperative farms and factories full of successes, at the museums where the great struggle of the Korean people is recorded, at the Mangyongdae Revolution School, at the places of welcome mass meetings in Pyongyang and Wonsan, at creches and kindergartens, at the revolutionary Young Pioneers' Camp in Wonsan, during an excursion aboard a warship of the great Korean People's Army, in the grand Pyongyang Children's and Students' Palace and on the wonderful, revolutionary and socialist art stages in Pyongyang and Wonsan. We also felt close at our hearts the feeling of fraternal friendship in the welcome accorded us by leading cadres of the Party and Government and the masses in all places we visited and on all routes we travelled.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader,

We consider all this warm hospitality and welcome we were accorded in your great and friendly country a warm hospitality accorded your friends making revolution in the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and the entire Arab peoples, your friends, and all the peoples struggling for freedom and progress and for the building of an advanced social system.

Premier Kim Il Sung, great friend,

Dear friends,

Allow me to express thanks once again to Comrade Premier Kim Il Sung for kindly inviting us to visit the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and providing us with an opportunity to acquaint ourselves with this friendly and great country and the living examples of the great socialist successes.

The great Korean people under the leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the outstanding leader, waged a protracted, fierce liberation struggle against Japanese imperialism and eventually liberated their country from the yoke of Japanese imperialism in 1945 with their strong will and courage. The great Korean people waged a struggle against the aggression of world imperialism headed by the United States for three years and more and smashed the invasion of the colonialists and the imperialists, though they mobilized huge troops and materials, and defended their young Republic, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Today the Korean people put forth a just demand for the withdrawal of the U.S. imperialist troops from the southern half of Korea and are striving to realize the unification of Korea including the territory and people in accordance with the will of the people free from any interference of the U.S. imperialists.

As we saw and realized for ourselves, the Korean people under the leadership of Premier Kim Il Sung, their great Leader and our friend, are today building a new life in an advanced socialist society based on Marxism-Leninism and registering great revolutionary and socialist successes in all domains, carrying out the correct line on rapidly stepping up economic construction and defence upbuilding in parallel, put forth by Comrade Kim Il Sung.

It is not long since the socialist revolution triumphed in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. But the experiences gained by this country which showed us the living examples in economic development prove right the following words of Premier Kim Il Sung, great friend: "Socialist society has unlimited potentialities to incessantly develop the economy at such a high rate as is inconceivable in capitalist society, and the further socialist construction advances and the stronger the economic basis grows, the greater become these potentialities."

Having seen the living examples of large-scale industry at the rolling stock factory in Wonsan and an iron works near Pyongyang, we cannot but mention that the economy of this friendly country has really made a leaping advance at an astonishing tempo and that a great leaping

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Holding Aloft the Revolutionary Banner of Anti-imperialist, Anti-U.S. Struggle Both of Us will Continually March Forward Vigorously to Build New Asia, Africa and Latin America

Speech of Premier KIM IL SUNG

AT BANQUET GIVEN BY PRESIDENT QAHTAN MUHAMMED AL-SHAABI

Your Excellency esteemed President Mr. Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi,

Esteemed guests from the People's Republic of Southern Yemen,

Dear comrades and friends,

The visit of Your Excellency President Mr. Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi, our close friend, and your party to our country is nearing conclusion.

The current visit of Your Excellency Mr. President to our country has been an event of epochal significance in further promoting the mutual understanding and developing anew the relations of friendship and co-operation between the peoples of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the People's Republic of Southern Yemen.

Our people warmly welcomed you with joyful feelings as if meeting our own brothers.

This was a manifestation of the firm friendship and solidarity of the Korean people with the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and an expression of the deep feelings of respect and amity of our people for Your Excellency Mr. President.

In the course of meeting our working people and visiting our factories, co-operative farms and educational and cultural institutions, you conveyed the warm feelings of friendship from the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen to the Korean people.

You highly appreciated the achievements made by our people in the socialist construction under the leadership of our Party, condemned the manoeuvrings of aggression and war by the U.S. imperialists occupying South Korea and gave active support to our people in their struggle for the independent, peaceful unification of the country.

This was a great encouragement to our people.

For this I express my profound thanks to Your Excellency Mr. President.

At the talks held between us during the time there were expressed the common determination of the peoples of our two countries to fight resolutely against the imperialists headed by U.S. imperialism and their lackeys, and their unanimous desire to pool their strength and help each other in this struggle.

We were deeply moved by your staunch will and revolutionary aspiration to continue to push ahead with the revolution vigorously, valiantly surmounting all kinds of difficulties and trials cropping up in the building of a new country and new society and uncompromisingly fight out U.S. imperialism and its stooges the Israeli expansionists, the enemy of the Arab peoples, and the external and internal reactionaries.

We are firmly convinced that the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen will definitely win a brilliant victory under the correct leadership of Your Excellency President Mr. Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi, their outstanding leader, in their sacred struggle to firmly defend the sovereignty of the country and complete the democratic, national-liberation revolution.

The Korean people actively support the struggle of the peoples of all countries of the world against imperialism and colonialism and regard it as support to their own revolutionary struggle.

We will, in the future too, do all we can to actively support and encourage the struggle waged by the friendly people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen on the common front against imperialism headed by U.S. imperialism and its lackeys.

Our people express firm solidarity with the righteous struggle of the peoples of various Arab countries to smash the Israeli expansionists, the stooges of U.S. imperialism, to liberate Palestine and to defend the territorial integrity and national sovereignty.

The Korean people resolutely oppose the criminal war of aggression of the U.S. imperialists in Vietnam and always actively support the just anti-U.S. national-salvation war of resistance of the heroic Vietnamese people.

We resolutely denounce the deceptive tricks which the U.S. imperialists resort to at the Paris Conference on Vietnam to intensify their war of aggression in Vietnam and to justify their occupation of South Vietnam and fully support the ten-point "principles and main content of the overall solution to the South Vietnam problem to help restore peace in Vietnam" announced by the delegation of the South Vietnam National Front for Liberation some time ago.

It is precious to all of us that the peoples should support and co-operate with each other in the struggle against the common enemy.

The current visit of Your Excellency President Mr. Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi to our country has been conducive to strengthening not only the friendship and solidarity between the peoples of our two countries but also the solidarity of the progressive peoples of the world.

Despite the frenzied manoeuvrings of the U.S. imperialists the general situation is developing in favour of revolution every day.

Holding aloft the revolutionary banner of anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. struggle both of us will continually march forward vigorously to build independent and prosperous new Asia, Africa and Latin America.

Your Excellency Mr. President,

The relations of friendship and co-operation between our two countries will be further expanded and developed in the future in all fields through the struggle to realize the common goal and aspiration.

We hope you to convey the warm feelings of friendship and militant greetings of the Korean people to the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen on your return home.

I am very delighted with the successful conclusion of the visit of Your Excellency Mr. President to our country and propose a toast to the prosperity and development of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen, to the friendship and solidarity between the peoples of Korea and the People's Republic of Southern Yemen, to the health of Your Excellency President Mr. Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi, our close friend, to the health of the guests from the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and to the health of comrades and friends present here.

Signing ceremony of an agreement between the Governments of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the People's Republic of Southern Yemen on the economic aid to the People's Republic of Southern Yemen by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

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advance has been made in laying the foundation of the industry. The living examples of cooperative farms and vast irrigation setups which we saw at the Chongsan cooperative farm and in the Taesong reservoir near Pyongyang show the successes made in the struggle for developing the socialist rural economy in accordance with the Theses authored by Comrade Kim Il Sung on solving the socialist rural question in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea by strengthening the guidance of the working class to the peasantry, the assistance of industry to agriculture, and the assistance of town to country, bringing step by step the management of rural economy closer to the advanced level of management of industrial enterprises, strengthening the relations between the ownership by the whole people and cooperative ownership and bringing the cooperative ownership closer to the ownership by the whole people and thereby establishing uniform ownership by the whole people in the end.

Premier Kim Il Sung, great friend,

Dear friends,

During our current visit to your friendly and great country we saw your self-defensive defence capabilities defending the revolution and the fatherland in reliance upon the heroic Korean People's Army and the masses of the people and in the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance and by embodying the idea of *Juche*. It was thanks to the idea of *Juche* and the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance that the Korean people have been able to defend the Korean revolution from the imperialists and their lackeys, the enemy of the people, and prepare self-defensive defence potentialities. Only by so doing could the Korean People's Army under the leadership of Premier Kim Il Sung and the Workers' Party of Korea shatter valiantly and decisively every manoeuvre and provocative machination of the U.S. imperialists, check the espionage activities of the U.S. imperialists, seize the U.S. imperialist spy ship "Pueblo" on January 23, 1968, and shoot down a large-size spy plane of the United States this year.

Your Excellency Premier Kim Il Sung, our friend,

Dear friends,

On this occasion of our visit to your great country, we could witness the rapid prosperity and development made in upbringing and education of youth, children and students and in all other spheres.

You are educating the students and children from their early years to be matured in a revolutionary national art, in the revolutionary ideas of liquidating exploitation of man by man, eradicating egoism and doing away with the old social relations of the tyrannical era which still remain in many parts of the world to our regret and establishing socialist social relations. No one can turn back the wheel of the development of history in which exploitation is liquidated and the working masses become the master of their destiny.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, great friend,

Dear friends,

We congratulate you on your revolution of vanguard. We congratulate you on your beating down of your enemies—the colonialists, feudalists, capitalists, exploiters, imperialists and their stooges. We heartily congratulate the friendly and great Korean people on the successes they have registered in all domains of socialist revolution and construction and on the happiness they are enjoying. We also sincerely hope that you will attain all the goals of the revolution and firmly unite with the world revolutionary forces.

Your socialist revolution is undoubtedly the genuine force of the socialist camp and the liberated peoples opposed to imperialism and colonialism, who are supporting and encouraging the peoples struggling for a new life and progress and struggling still for freedom and progress.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, great friend,

Dear friends,

We, briefly retrospecting what we have felt during our visit to your friendly and great country, firmly renew the determination to develop the friendly relations between the great people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and the great Korean people.

We assure you that the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen who have completed the stage of democratic, national liberation and are effecting today the socialist changes put forth by the National Front, our vanguard organization, will stand firm against all challenges of the enemy.

Today the People's Republic of Southern Yemen is in the stage of defending the revolution and its gains and the liberated progressive system, maintaining political and military emancipation, getting rid of economic subjugation and carrying out economic construction, realizing the interests of the working masses, the genuine master of the revolution, and developing the productive forces.

The National Front clarified in the national programme published in 1965 that it would strive to build an independent, unified, liberated society through the democratic national revolution and furthermore, to go over to scientific socialism.

As our country is located at an important point, strategically and geographically and the National Front laid down organizationally and legally the programme with progressive aspirations, the imperialist forces and reactionaries surrounding our Republic are further stepping up the plots and offensives against all the achievements made by our revolution. Especially, U.S. imperialism and British imperialism, oil monopolies in the Arabia peninsula and the reactionary systems of Saudi Arabia, Sana and Iran are hostile to the progressive aspirations and revolutionary measures of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen.

All these enemies are making desperate efforts to overthrow our revolutionary system, incessantly supplying funds to the counter-revolution and arming it.

Since the overthrow of the 129-year-long British colonialist rule through the four-year arduous armed struggle, our people have been waging repeated struggles and winning decisive victories one after another in face of the enemies.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, dear friend,

Dear friends,

In the last several days when we are visiting your great country, the counter-revolutionary elements, equipped with the weapons of imperialism and supplied with funds by the imperialists and reactionaries, infiltrated from reactionary neighbouring areas in an attempt to strangulate the revolution of our people.

But our army and people's armed forces and social security armed forces crushed their infiltration with high vigilance and repulsed them to reactionary countries bordering on our Republic.

The enemies attempted to deliver a blow at the revolution of our people by taking advantage of my and my colleagues being away on a visit to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

But, we assure you that we can decisively smash any aggression of the enemies of the people by our armed forces.

Our people will, in the future, too, develop their country and build a new life and economy free from all subjugation and contribute, together with the freedom-loving peoples of the world, to the struggle for wiping out world imperialism, colonialism, reaction, feudalism, capitalism and exploitation of man by man, holding aloft as ever the slogans "uninterrupted revolution" and "construction in one hand, defence in the other".

Your Excellency Premier Kim Il Sung, dear friend,

Dear friends,

I once again stress that the Arab peoples fighting against world imperialism headed by the United States and its stooge Israel in our Arab fatherland will win victory in their just cause.

World imperialism and Israel, its bridgehead, will be smashed in our Arab land. Palestine which has been deprived of by the Zionist clique for 21 years will return to the Arab people of Palestine, and the Arab land be completely liberated and the socialist Arab unity be realized.

Your Excellency Premier Kim Il Sung, dear friend,

Dear friends,

Please be assured that the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen will always stand on the side of the friendly Korean people in the common struggle against world imperialism headed by the United States, support the just demand of the Korean people for achieving the unification of the territory and people of North and South Korea after driving the U.S. imperialist troops out of South Korea and will march forward along the road of victory and progress hand in hand with the Korean people.

Allow me to take this opportunity to express thanks of myself and the people and Government of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and the National Front to you for the support and encouragement extended to us which our people will always remember.

Premier Kim Il Sung, great friend,

Dear friends,

It is the questions to be underscored always that we stand on the side of the heroic Vietnamese people and the South Vietnam National Front for Liberation struggling for liberating South Vietnam from the occupation of the U.S. imperialist troops, wage a stubborn and resolute struggle against all the attempts of imperialism, colonialism and reaction to deal a blow at the socialist system and people's democratic forces, consistently struggle against racism in Rhodesia, South Africa and the United States and always stand on the side of socialism and the peace-loving peoples.

Premier Kim Il Sung, great friend,

Dear friends,

In conclusion, I propose to stand up and drink a toast to the prosperity and development of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the friendship and solidarity between the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and the people of the friendly Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the friendship between the Arab peoples and the friendly Korean people and to the health and happiness of Premier Kim Il Sung, our great friend, and of all the dear Korean friends.

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of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the People's Republic of Southern Yemen

At the invitation of Comrade Kim Il Sung, Head of State and Premier of the Cabinet, of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen paid a state visit to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea from May 27 to June 6, 1969.

Accompanying President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi were Saif Ahmed Dhalai, Minister of Finance; Ahmed Saleh Al-Shair, Minister of Agriculture and Agrarian Reform; Haider Abubaker Al-Atas, Minister of Public Works and Communication; Abdullah Muhammed Bin Salman, Director of H.E. President's Office for External and Internal Affairs; Ga-Afer Gomman Rahnatullah, Deputy Permanent Secretary for Development Affairs and Administration at the Ministry of Finance; Mahmmood Saeed Madhi, Director of Trade and Foreign Relations at the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Planning; Muhammed Awadh Al-Tahas, Head of Asian and East European Branch at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs; and other suite members.

During their stay in Korea, President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi and his party looked around factories, cooperative farms and educational and cultural establishments in Pyongyang and Wonsan and were accorded a warm welcome and hospitality by the Korean people everywhere they went.

This is a clear manifestation of the warm sentiments of fraternal friendship cherished by the Korean people towards the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen.

The Presidium of the Supreme People's Assembly of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea conferred the Order of National Flag First Class upon His Excellency President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi in appreciation of his opposition to imperialism, colonialism and reaction, strengthening of the solidarity of the world progressive peoples, support to the struggle of the Korean people for the independent, peaceful unification of the fatherland and of his contribution to the development of the relations of friendship and co-operation between the peoples of Korea and Southern Yemen, and awarded orders and medals to members of the delegation of Southern Yemen.

During the visit, talks were held between Premier Kim Il Sung and President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi in an atmosphere of friendship and mutual understanding.

Present at the talks from the side of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea were President Choi Yong Kun of the Presidium of the Supreme People's Assembly, First Vice-Premier Kim Il, Vice-Premier and Minister of Foreign Affairs Pak Sung Chul, Minister of City Management Jin Mun Dok, Vice-Chairman Bang Chil Song of the Agricultural Commission, Vice-Chairman Kong Jin Tae of the Committee for Foreign Economic Relations and Ambassador Hong Man Pyo of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to the People's Republic of Southern Yemen.

Present from the side of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen were Minister of Finance Saif Ahmed Dhalai, Minister of Agriculture and Agrarian Reform Ahmed Saleh Al-Shair, Minister of Public Works and Communication Haider Abubaker Al-Atas and Director of H.E. President's Office for External and Internal Affairs Abdullah Muhammed Bin Salman.

At the talks opinions were exchanged on further developing the relations of friendship and co-operation between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and on international issues of common interest.

Premier Kim Il Sung and President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi expressed satisfaction over the fact that the relations of friendship and co-operation formed between the peoples of the two countries through the struggle against the common enemy, imperialism, colonialism and reaction, have been daily strengthened and developed in all spheres since the establishment of the diplomatic relations between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the People's Republic of Southern Yemen.

Premier Kim Il Sung highly praised the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen for the fact that they overthrew the colonial rule and won national independence through their gallant armed struggle under the leadership of the National Front and that after independence they, continuously holding aloft the banner of revolution under the correct leadership of President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi, established a progressive social system and are carrying out a series of democratic reforms and building an independent national economy and national culture while shattering the ceaseless subversive manoeuvres of imperialism and the reactionary forces at home and abroad.

Premier Kim Il Sung strongly denounced imperialism led by U.S. imperialism and the neighbouring reactionary agents for their attempt to stifle the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and liquidate its revolutionary system, and fully supported and expressed militant solidarity for the revolutionary measures taken by the government and people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen to defend their revolutionary gains against the encroachment of imperialism and the internal and external reactionary forces.

Premier Kim Il Sung, considering the achievements of the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen in the building of a new society to be a heavy blow to imperialism and reaction, heartily wished them a new, great victory in their struggle for the accomplishment of the anti-imperialist national-liberation revolution.

President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi expressed deep gratitude to the government and people of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea for their high appreciation of and active support to the just struggle of the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen for the consolidation of national independence and social progress against imperialism, colonialism and reaction.

President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi spoke highly of the Korean people who, under the correct leadership of Premier Kim Il Sung, turned their once backward country into a powerful socialist state with the solid foundation of an independent national economy in a historically short span of time by embodying the idea of *Juche* overcoming the difficult conditions of directly standing opposed to the U.S. imperialists, and are steadily keeping up the great upsurge of Chollima on all fronts of economic construction and defence building today.

President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi sternly denounced the U.S. imperialists and the South Korean puppets for stepping up provocative acts and war preparations against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Considering that the root cause of the extreme aggravation of the tension in Korea today and the infinite delay of her unification lies entirely in the occupation of South Korea by the U.S. imperialists and their policy of aggression, President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi strongly demanded the immediate withdrawal of the U.S. imperialist aggressor army and expressed full support to the Korean people in their righteous struggle to unify their country by themselves independently and peacefully on a democratic basis without the interference of any foreign forces after making the U.S. imperialist aggressor army withdraw from South Korea.

Premier Kim Il Sung expressed deep gratitude to the Government of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and its people for their high appreciation of the successes of the Korean people in socialist construction and for their positive support to the just cause of the Korean people for the independent, peaceful unification of the country.

In the evaluation of the present international situation both sides unanimously considered that the revolutionary movement cannot be free from some vicissitudes in the course of its development but the general situation is still developing in favour of socialism and the revolutionary forces and that downfall of imperialism and victory of the peoples' struggle for liberation are the main trend of our times that no force can check.

Premier Kim Il Sung and President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi manifest full support and solidarity with the Arab peoples in their struggle for crushing the Israeli expansionists, the lackeys of the U.S. imperialists, and for territorial integrity and in defence of national sovereignty and with the Palestinian people in their armed struggle for attaining the liberation and independence of their country.

Expressing whole-hearted support and solidarity with the Vietnamese people in their heroic anti-U.S. national-salvation war of resistance, Premier Kim Il Sung and President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi strongly demand that the U.S. imperialists stop once and for all the war of aggression against South Vietnam and all the aggressive acts of encroaching upon the sovereignty and security of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam, that they get out of South Vietnam without delay, taking with them their aggressive forces and the troops of their satellite countries and the puppet armed forces, and that the question of Vietnam be solved by the Vietnamese people themselves without the interference of any foreign forces on the basis of the four-point stand of the Government of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam and the programme of the South Vietnam National Front for Liberation.

Both sides support the ten-point "principles and main content of the overall solution to the South Vietnam problem to help restore peace in Vietnam" which was made public by the delegation of the South Vietnam National Front for Liberation recently.

Both sides express firm solidarity with all the peoples of Asian, African and Latin American countries who are fighting against imperialism and colonialism and for freedom, liberation and consolidation of national independence.

Premier Kim Il Sung and President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi evinced again their unshakable resolve to wage a more resolute struggle against imperialism and colonialism in firm unity with all the revolutionary peoples with a view to building up new Asia, Africa and Latin America, independent and prosperous.

During the visit of President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea an agreement on the economic aid to the People's Republic of Southern Yemen by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea was concluded between the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Government of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen.

His Excellency President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi officially invited His Excellency Premier Kim Il Sung, his friend, to visit the People's Republic of Southern Yemen, and His Excellency Premier Kim Il Sung accepted this invitation with gratitude. The date of his visit will be fixed at a convenient time.

Both sides note with satisfaction that the visit of President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea has made a great contribution to further strengthening and developing the relations of friendship and co-operation between the peoples of the two countries.

Pyongyang, June 6, 1969

The platform of the Pyongyang mass meeting in welcome of President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi

People of Southern Yemen Stand Foursquare Behind Korean People Opposed to U.S. Imperialism and Fully Support Your Struggle for Country's Unification

Speech of President QAHTAN MUHAMMED AL-SHAABI

AT PYONGYANG CITY MASS MEETING

Great Comrade Premier Kim Il Sung, Head of State and Premier of the Cabinet, of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and our friend,

Comrade Kang Hi Won, Chairman of the Pyongyang City People's Committee and our friend,

Our friends, heroic fighting masses of the Korean people,

I and my colleagues members of the delegation of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen would like to express boundless thanks to you for according us warm hospitality from the first moment of our arrival in the land of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and for arranging such a grand mass meeting to warmly welcome us this evening.

I am proud to meet this evening the fighting masses of heroic Korea who demonstrated before the whole world and history that colonialism and imperialism can be wiped out.

The heroic Korean people under the leadership of Premier Kim Il Sung, the outstanding Chief and Leader, could achieve the great victory in the struggle against Japanese imperialism and liberate their territory.

Under the leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the outstanding Chief and Leader, the masses of Korea and armed forces of Korea could smash the aggression of the U.S. imperialists.

Thanks to the teachings of Premier Kim Il Sung, the outstanding Leader, and Marxist-Leninist doctrine the revolution made it possible for this great people to achieve great successes in all fields of economy and defence.

Premier Kim Il Sung, great friend,

Dear friends,

I would like to express heartfelt thanks to Your Excellency Premier Kim Il Sung, our great friend, Kang Hi Won, Chairman of the Pyongyang City People's Committee and our friend, responsible functionaries of the Pyongyang City People's Committee and the entire heroic mass of people of militant Pyongyang City for presenting me with a silk banner of Pyongyang City.

I regard this as an immortal symbol of the close friendship between the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and the militant masses of Pyongyang City and the militant and heroic Korean people.

I once again express wholehearted thanks for presenting me with the silk banner of this militant city.

When they ignited the bestial war of aggression against the heroic Korean people, the U.S. imperialists tried to obliterate the socialist revolution in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and completely efface this hero city.

During this period the U.S. imperialists destroyed almost all the buildings, leaving only three buildings.

During the war many sons and daughters of this city were deprived of their lives. But the immortal Pyongyang City and all the cities and countryside and people of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea resolutely fought in a revolutionary way under the leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader.

Pyongyang City, all the cities of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea as well as the Democratic People's Republic of Korea repulsed the invaders and won a victory.

Today, we witnessed great Pyongyang City which had been erected anew with the embodiment of the might of the socialist revolution.

And we could meet revolutionary and staunch masses of Pyongyang City who are advancing along the line of economic construction and defence upbuilding under the leadership of Premier Kim Il Sung.

We shake your hands and congratulate you on this immortal victory and great successes.

We assure you that the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen who have fought till they drove the colonialists out of their territory stand on your side in opposing the U.S. imperialists who perpetrate espionage acts against your territory in the sea and the air and commit various provocative manoeuvrings.

We strongly demand the withdrawal of U.S. troops from South Vietnam.

And we resolutely support your legitimate demand to realize the unification of the whole territory of North and South Korea and the 40 million Korean people free from any interference of the U.S. imperialists and their stooges.

Premier Kim Il Sung, great friend,

Dear friends,

I would like to say with emphasis again here though I said yesterday.

The friendly peoples of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea are in common situation in many respects.

Almost similar, indeed, is the situation of the people of the great People's Republic of Southern Yemen and the people of the friendly and great Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The people of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea achieved a tremendous victory in the struggle against Japanese imperialism through the all-out liberation war under the leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Premier, who knows the might and ability of the Korean people and has a full understanding of the aspiration of the masses of the Korean people and won a great victory in the three-year war by thoroughly smashing the aggression of the U.S. imperialists.

And the Korean people explored the road toward freedom and socialism under the leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader.

The people of the great People's Republic of Southern Yemen fought against the British imperialists generation after generation and launched an armed revolution against British colonialism on October 14, 1963, under the leadership of the National Front, their vanguard organization.

Our people achieved a great victory by waging the fierce four-year liberation war and drove the colonialists out of their territory once and for all. On November 30, 1967, our people became the master of their country and proclaimed the complete independence.

Our people explored the road of freedom and socialism for bringing about the socialist changes.

I say once again that the great peoples of our two countries will certainly defeat imperialism, colonialism and reactionaries, though the peoples of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea are standing face to face with the common enemy and are alike faced with the vicious conspiratorial manoeuvrings of the enemies.

Comrade Premier Kim Il Sung, our friend,

Dear friends,

Only when we continue the fierce struggle till our enemies—the world imperialists and colonialists, reactionaries and exploiters—are wiped out, the enemies will surrender.

Today, the peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America are waging an unflagging struggle to achieve freedom and independence and build a progressive society.

The fighting peoples will certainly win. No one can turn back the wheel of history.

Let us strive together to smash imperialism and feudalism and abolish exploitation of man by man!

Let us make the ranks of revolution advance and advance without interruption!

Let us always hold high the slogan "construction in one hand, defence in the other!"

Dear friends,

The world imperialists and colonialists headed by the United States are ceaselessly committing aggression against the people to strangulate the revolution and deprive them of the gains of revolution which costed the sacrifice and blood of the people.

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Furthermore, world imperialism headed by the United States and British colonialism, all the imperialists and colonialists have incessantly invaded our Arab nation. They set up so-called Israel in the Arab territory as their bridgehead. At the dictates of the imperialists and colonialists, their masters, Israel occupied by force the territory of Palestine in 1948 and expelled the Arab people of Palestine to be on the verge of death without dwellings, land or food.

Later, in 1956 and 1967, Israel again perpetrated aggression against other Arab territory.

Israel has been occupying Palestine, Arab territory, for 21 years and is occupying Sinai and Gaza, territory of the fraternal United Arab Republic, and the western area of the Jordan River and Golan Height of Syria.

The world imperialists and colonialists headed by the United States are trying to stamp out the Arab revolution and revolutionary liberation organizations of Arab.

However, the toiling masses of Arab and their revolutionary leadership will certainly achieve final victory and restore their territory and completely liberate Palestine just as the heroic Korean people liberated their fatherland from the Japanese imperialists and smashed the aggression of the U.S. imperialists.

Premier Kim Il Sung, great friend,

Dear friends,

I emphasize once again that the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen stand foursquare behind you opposed to U.S. imperialism and fully support your demand for the unification of the fatherland.

We demand the United States to withdraw its troops from South Korea and hold that the unification of the territory must be realized by the great 40 million Korean people without any interference of outside forces.

I assure that the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen stand firm on the side of the heroic Vietnamese people and stand firm on the side of the South Vietnam National Front for Liberation in opposing the U.S. imperialists and their stooges.

The people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen stand stalwart on the side of the democratic national-liberation movements in Asia, Africa and Latin America.

The people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen decidedly oppose all the manoeuvrings of the imperialists, colonialists and reactionaries to stamp out the socialist organizations and strangulate democratic forces.

The people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen continuously oppose the racial discrimination in Rhodesia, South Africa and the United States.

The people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen stand on the side of the peoples of the socialist countries opposing imperialism and colonialism and support their defence of the great socialist gains.

Premier Kim Il Sung, great friend,

Dear friends,

I express thanks once again to you for giving me the silk banner of Pyongyang City which will thrive forever.

We are convinced that our current visit to your great country will conduce to further strengthening the solidarity of the peoples of our two countries and the revolutions of the two countries.

Long live the friendship between the peoples of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and the friendly Democratic People's Republic of Korea!

Long live the friendship between the Arab peoples and heroic Korean people!

Long live the heroic struggle of the toiling masses of the whole world for freedom and dignity and for building progressive socialist society!

Korean People Express Full Support to and Solidarity with the Righteous Struggle of the People of Southern Yemen for Implementing Democratic, National-Liberation Revolution Upholding Revolutionary Banner of Anti-Imperialist, Anti-U.S. Struggle

Speech of Kang Hi Won,

Chairman of Pyongyang City People's Committee,

AT PYONGYANG CITY MASS MEETING

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Kang Hi Won, Chairman of the Pyongyang City People's Committee, authorized by the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, on behalf of the Pyongyang citizens and the entire Korean people, warmly welcomed His Excellency President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi, the outstanding leader of the October 14 Revolution of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen, and guests from the People's Republic of Southern Yemen.

He conveyed the friendly greetings of the Korean people to the Aden citizens and the industrious and revolutionary people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen.

He went on to say:

The people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen are our close friend standing on the common front of the struggle against the imperialists headed by the U.S. imperialists.

The people of Southern Yemen who had long waged the strenuous struggle against imperialism kindled the torchlight of the armed struggle under the leadership of His Excellency Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi in October, 1963, and waged an indomitable struggle and thus put an end to the colonial rule of British imperialism, achieved national independence and proclaimed the people's republic in November, 1967.

The founding of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen opened a new era in the history of the people of this country, further promoted the national-liberation struggle of the Arab peoples and dealt a heavy blow at the imperialists.

Since the independence the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen have safeguarded the gains of revolution and exerted all and every effort to build a new, prospering country under the leadership of His Excellency President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi, valorously smashing the vicious subversive intrigues of the U.S. and British imperialists.

Referring to the fact that the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen have smashed the old colonial ruling machinery, and are establishing a new progressive social system, enforcing a series of democratic reforms and building an independent national economy and national culture, Chairman Kang Hi Won said: All this shows that the People's Republic of Southern Yemen is making a rapid advance along the road toward freedom, happiness and prosperity.

The speaker said that the imperialists headed by the U.S. imperialists and their stooges, the reactionaries at home and abroad are resorting to all sorts of machinations such as perpetrating armed provocations and wrecking and subversive intrigues and applying economic pressure with the aim of strangling the People's Republic of Southern Yemen in its cradle, but **the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen, rallied close around their National Front and government, are reliably safeguarding the gains of revolution won at the cost of blood with the firm resolve "not to compromise with imperialist reactionaries even if they die," not laying down arms in their hands, and are confirming the determination to carry out the democratic, national-liberation revolution to the last and march ahead toward socialism.**

The speaker said:

Holding aloft the banner of anti-imperialism and anti-colonialism in the domain of the foreign policy, too, the Government of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen actively supports the struggle of the people for national independence and liberation and makes a contribution to the strengthening of the solidarity of the Asian and African peoples and the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. forces of the world.

The Government of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen resolutely opposes the U.S. and British imperialists and Israeli expansionists and actively struggles to liberate Palestine, drive out the aggressors from the occupied Arab land and defend the national dignity and sovereignty of the Arab peoples.

Declaring that the Korean people express full support to and militant solidarity with the righteous struggle of the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen, the speaker said:

We sincerely rejoice over the successes already made by the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and wholeheartedly wish that they may win a glorious victory in their continued, vigorous advance toward the complete victory of anti-imperialist national-liberation revolution under the uplifted banner of revolution.

Dwelling on the fact that the Korean people restored the fatherland through the arduous 15-year-long anti-Japanese armed struggle organized and led by Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader, and since liberation have turned our country, once a backward country, into a powerful socialist State independent in politics, self-sustaining in economy and self-defensive in national defence by embodying the idea of *Juche* of the Leader in all fields, breaking through many-fold difficulties and trials, the speaker went on:

Today the citizens of Pyongyang, the capital of revolution, and the working people of the whole country are more energetically struggling for the complete victory of socialism and the independent, peaceful unification of the fatherland, upholding the programmatic tasks set forth by Comrade Kim Il Sung in his report at the Conference of the Workers' Party of Korea, the Ten-Point Political Programme of the Government of the Republic announced by him and in his report at the celebration of the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Republic and are fiercely raising the flames of the great revolutionary upsurge on all fronts of economic construction and defence upbuilding to cope with the daily intensifying manoeuvres of the U.S. imperialists to ignite a new war.

The speaker exposed that the U.S. imperialists have converted South Korea into their complete colony and military base for aggression and plunged the South Korean people into a living hell under the sway of starvation, privation, terror and murder and that the U.S. imperialists and their stooges South Korean puppet clique are further intensifying the bestial fascist suppression of South Korean revolutionaries and patriots and incessantly perpetrating new war provocations against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The speaker denounced the U.S. imperialists for actively drawing even the revived Japanese militarists into their aggressive machinations against the Korean people.

Chairman Kang Hi Won went on to say:

The U.S. imperialists should not run wild recklessly.

Our people are fully prepared to rise up as one and deal an annihilating blow at the enemy if the U.S. imperialists dare ignite a new war.

The South Korean people are waging the vigorous anti-U.S. national-salvation struggle for freedom, liberation and national unification in cities and rural villages, underground and in mountains in the teeth of harsh suppression by the U.S. imperialists and their stooges, looking up to the Republic as the invincible bastion for the unification of the fatherland.

The grandiose struggle of the Korean people being waged vigorously in North and South Korea under the banner of anti-U.S. national salvation will be certainly victorious and the historic cause of national unification will be achieved.

The U.S. imperialist aggressors must pull out of South Korea without delay. If the U.S. imperialist aggressors withdraw from South Korea and there is no interference from the outside, the question of Korea's unification will be solved by the Korean people themselves in a peaceful way at any time.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, said: **"The position of our Party on the question of Korea's unification is clear. The Party has consistently maintained that the question of the unification of our country should be solved independently and peacefully on democratic principles. The Korean people can and must achieve the country's peaceful unification independently."**

The speaker expressed deep thanks to His Excellency President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi and the government and the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen for their positive support to and solidarity with the just cause of the Korean people for the independent and peaceful unification of the fatherland.

Chairman Kang Hi Won stressed:

The present situation makes it incumbent upon the peoples of all countries making revolution to pool strength with a firm conviction of victory and deal blows at U.S. imperialism and bring pressure to bear upon it.

The speaker quoted the following words of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader: **"The U.S. imperialists appear to be strong, but when the peoples of many countries attack them from all sides and join in mutilating them in that way, they will become impotent and bite the dust in the end."**

Noting that the Korean people consider it a sacred internationalist duty to strengthen solidarity with the international revolutionary forces against the U.S. imperialists and actively support and encourage the struggle of the peoples of all countries against the U.S. imperialists, the speaker continued:

The Korean people trenchantly denounce the U.S. imperialists' criminal war of aggression against the Vietnamese people and always render positive assistance to the Vietnamese people in their just war of resistance against U.S. imperialism for national salvation.

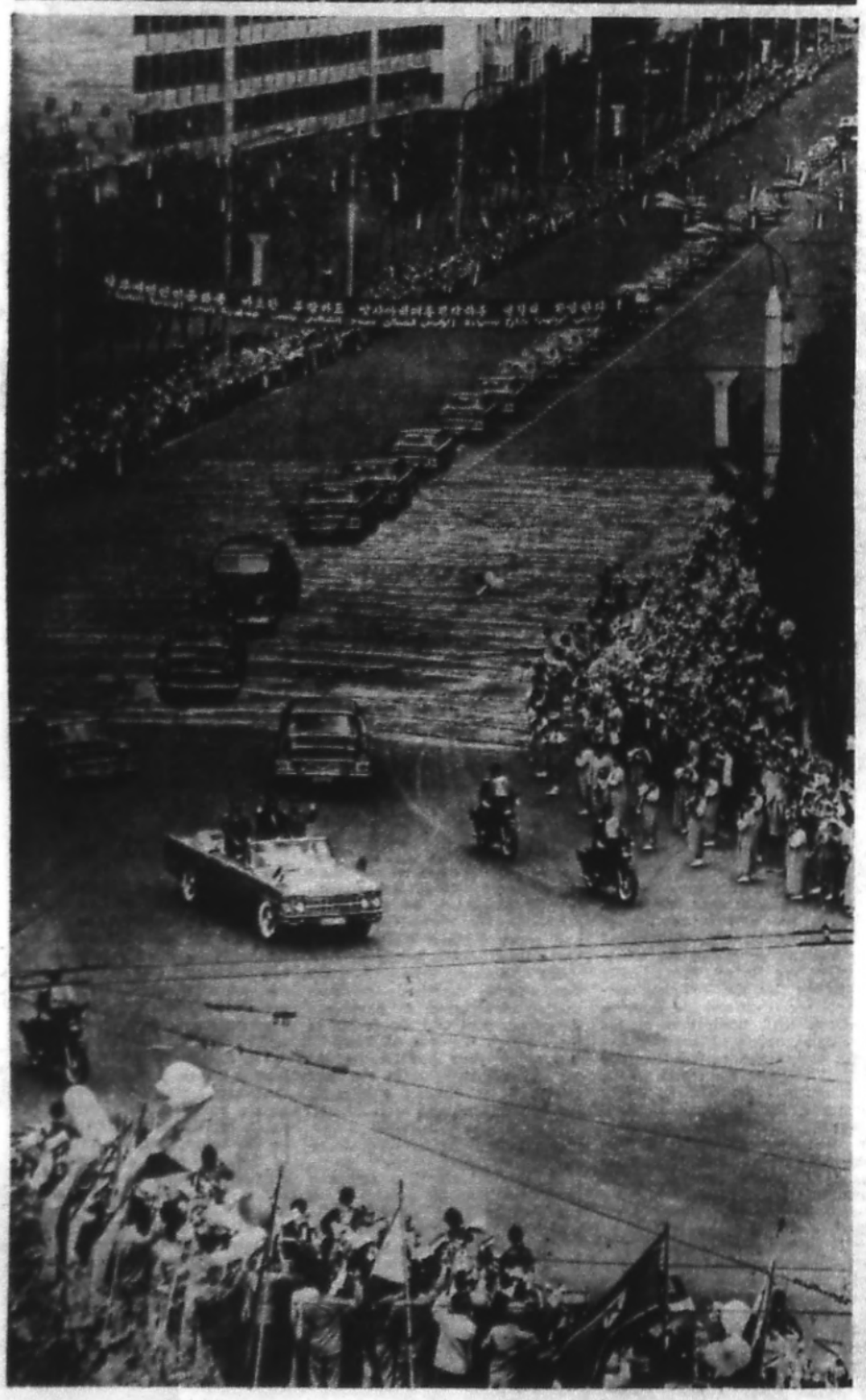
The Korean people support the just stand the delegate of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam and the delegate of the South Vietnam National Front for Liberation are taking at the Paris Conference on Vietnam and support the "principles and main content of the overall solution to the South Vietnam problem to help restore peace in Vietnam" issued some time ago by the delegation of the South Vietnam National Front for Liberation.

The Korean people actively support the Arab peoples in their just struggle for crushing the Israeli expansionists, the lackeys of the U.S. imperialists, and liberating Palestine and defending territorial integrity and national sovereignty.

The Korean people actively support the struggle of all peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America against imperialism and colonialism and for the consolidation of national independence.

Saying that today the relations of friendship and cooperation between the peoples of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the People's Republic of Southern Yemen are developing as the days go by in the interests of the peoples of the two countries and in conformity with the common cause of the Asian and African peoples, Chairman Kang Hi Won declared: **The current visit of His Excellency President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi to our country greatly helps toward further consolidating and developing the relations of friendship and cooperation between the peoples of our two countries and strengthening the solidarity of the world progressive peoples standing on the common front against imperialism and colonialism.**

The Korean people are happy to have as their friend such an industrious and courageous people as the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen and will in the future, too, do everything in their power to strengthen and develop friendship and solidarity with them and always march ahead hand in hand with the people of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen in the common struggle for the consolidation of national independence and the independent development of the country holding aloft the revolutionary banner of the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. struggle, stressed Chairman Kang Hi Won in conclusion.



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Premier Kim Il Sung, together with President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi, appeared on the platform amid the playing of the welcome music and enthusiastic applause.

The meeting was addressed first by Kang Hi Won, Chairman of the Pyongyang City People's Committee. After his speech the Chairman presented President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi with a silk banner in the name of the Pyongyang city mass meeting.

Embroidered side by side on the silk banner were the national flags of the two countries and the letters "Long live the friendship between the peoples of Korea and Southern Yemen!"

Then President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi spoke at the meeting.

Premier Kim Il Sung warmly shook hands with the President when the latter concluded his speech. At the moment the hall was shaken with a thunderous applause.

The mass meeting closed with the playing of the national anthems of both countries.

ART PERFORMANCES

On May 28, a combined music and dance performance was given by the State Song and Dance Ensemble at the Pyongyang Grand Theatre in welcome of President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi.

President Choi Yong Kun saw the performance with the guests.

The performance proceeded from beginning to end in an atmosphere overflowing with the feeling of friendship sealed between the peoples of Korea and Southern Yemen on the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. common front.

After the performance, President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi, together with President Choi Yong Kun, mounted the stage, presented a basket of flowers to the artists in congratulation of their successfull performance and posed for a photograph with them.

President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi and his party also saw the performances of acrobats at the State Acrobatic Theatre.

ORDERS AND MEDALS AWARDED

The Presidium of the Supreme People's Assembly of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea awarded orders and medals of the D.P.R.K. to President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi and his party on May 29.

President Choi Yong Kun conferred Order of National Flag the First Class on President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi. And Orders of National Flag the Second and Third Classes and Medals of Military Merits and Medals of Merits were awarded to the suite members respectively.

INSPECTION

President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi inspected the Hwanghae Iron Works on June 4.

Premier Kim Il Sung accompanied the guests.

The main streets of Songrim city and the compound of the Hwanghae Iron Works were decorated with the national flags of the two countries and many streamers symbolizing the friendship and unity between the peoples of Korea and Southern Yemen who are fighting shoulder to shoulder on the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. common front.

The President and his party looked round the iron works receiving warm welcome of the steel makers.

And the guests inspected the poultry farm and the vegetable fields where the water-spraying irrigation system has been established near the Works.

During their stay in Korea the guests also inspected the Museum of Korean Revolution, the Fatherland Liberation War Memorial, the Mangyongdae Revolution School, the Chollima Chongsan Co-operative Farm and the Kiyang Irrigation System. And they visited the Pyongyang Children's and Students' Palace and saw the song and dance performance of the school children in Pyongyang city.

They also visited Wonsan city on the eastern coast of our country on June 1.

President Choi Yong Kun accompanied the guests.

The local responsible functionaries warmly welcomed the guests.

That day Wonsan city was in a holiday atmosphere. Tens of thousands of Wonsan citizens in their holiday best enthusiastically welcomed the goodwill mission along the streets.

During their stay in the city the guests were invited to the Wonsan mass meeting and to the banquet given by Ryu Byong Ryon, Chairman of the Kangwon Provincial People's Committee.

President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi and Chairman Ryu Byong Ryon exchanged speeches at the mass meeting and the banquet.

During their stay there the guests also inspected the factory where Comrade Kang Shi Uk works and the Songdowon Young Pioneers' Camp and they were invited to the art performance given by the Kangwon Provincial Song and Dance Ensemble.

They also had a pleasant boating there.

President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi and his party were accorded warm welcome and hospitality by our people everywhere they went.

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TOP LEFT:
Working people in the city present Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, and President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi with bunches of fragrant flowers conveying the warm feelings of our people.

CENTRE LEFT:
Pyongyang citizens give warm welcome to the distinguished guests from the People's Republic of Southern Yemen

BOTTOM RIGHT:
Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi and his party receive orders and medals of the D.P.R.K.

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WARM SEND-OFF

President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi and his party returned home by a special plane on June 6 after completing the itinerary of their visit to our country.

That day there were a large crowd at the gaily decorated airfield.

Amid hearty cheers of crowds Premier Kim Il Sung and President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi came out at the airfield.

There were President Choi Yong Kun, First Vice-Premier Kim Il, Vice-Premier and Foreign Minister Pak Sung Chul and other responsible functionaries and home and foreign journalists at the airfield.

Also present there were diplomatic representatives of foreign countries to Korea.

The send-off ceremony was held at the airfield.

Premier Kim Il Sung and President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi made speeches at the ceremony.

Premier Kim Il Sung warmly shook hands with President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi and hugged him.

The special plane gradually took off the airfield where flowers were waving, symbolizing the feelings of deep militant friendship between the peoples of Korea and Southern Yemen.

The crowd were waving their flags and flowers until the special plane carrying the friendship mission of the Southern Yemeni people fighting shoulder to shoulder on the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. common front, was out of sight.

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PHOTOS:

TOP: The respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, together with other government leaders, sees off President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen on his way home after completing an itinerary of his state visit to our country.

CENTRE: Together with Premier Kim Il Sung President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi inspects the Hwanghae Iron Works.

BOTTOM LEFT: President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi and his party looking round the Museum of Korean Revolution

BOTTOM RIGHT: President Qahtan Muhammed Al-Shaabi and his party visited the Pyongyang Children's and Students' Palace on June 3.

Local Industry Prospers in a Mountainous County

Eleven years have passed since the June 1958 Plenum of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea which was of epochal significance in bettering the people's livelihood.

At this plenum Comrade Kim Il Sung set forth an original line of developing light industry, a line of continually developing large-scale central industry and, at the same time, developing medium and small-scale local industry on a large scale by a nation-wide movement, widely mobilizing reserves and potentials latent in localities.

In accordance with his teachings over 1,000 local industry factories were built in various parts of the country in a few months after the plenum with little government money and with materials and labour which had not been used in the past. Now each county has more than ten local industry factories on an average. Our local industry accounts for a half of the country's output of consumer goods and plays a great role in developing the national economy as a whole.

In eleven years following the June Plenum Byokdong county has been built up as a reliable centre for the production of consumer goods like any other counties in our country.

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Byokdong county is known as a mountainous area.

This county is rich in wild fruits, forests of economic value and useful plants and animals.

In the days of Japanese imperialist colonial rule, however, all these things in the "gold mountains" and "treasure hills" remained useless. The folks of this county suffered poverty and hunger. They had to go a long way on foot across mountains to purchase salt and soap or to wait for peddlers.

But after the liberation the situation changed thanks to the correct economic policy of the Workers' Party of Korea. Especially in accordance with the decisions of the June Plenum which was of historic significance in the development of local industry, this county has turned into a centre for the production of consumer goods and the livelihood of its population radically improved.

In a few months after the June Plenum a foodstuffs factory and a textile mill appeared for the first time in history of this mountainous county.

At the outset these factories were in name only. They had only a few jars and hand looms. The functionaries had no experience in the management of factory.

Around this time the fatherly Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung visited this county to find the way to improve the life of the peasants in mountainous areas.

Not breaking fatigue from journey, he looked round the county and took a series of steps to improve the livelihood of the folks here. He went to the local industry factories and taught in detail how to develop them.

That day Comrade Premier gave minute instructions on mechanizing labour-consuming and arduous work and turning out more foodstuffs, cloths and daily necessaries of wide variety from raw materials available in this area.

After Comrade Premier's visit to this county, the folks here turned out to place local industry on a firmer footing.

In a short time the textile mill and foodstuffs factory were enlarged and reequipped. A daily necessaries factory, a farm implements plant, a paper mill, a furniture factory and a building-materials factory sprang up. Now this mountainous county came to have its own ranks of workers including weavers and turners and to produce beautiful silks, foodstuffs, various daily necessaries and other goods.

In the past the bulk of goods came from far-off towns, but today this county meets the requirements of its population for most of goods with its own products.

With the appearance of the local industry factories housewives came to work at these factories. This gave the state much profits, increased the income of the population remarkably and sharply raised the people's living standards. In the course of collective labour at factory, housewives came to equip themselves with ideology of the working class and raise their political and cultural standards more swiftly.

The local industry began to feed on agricultural produce and side-line products of the peasants. This promoted the development of agricultural and side-line production, increased the incomes of peasants and, at the same time, served to further strengthen the ties between industry and agriculture by producing and supplying better, diverse goods to farm villages.

Bearing in mind the words of Comrade Kim Il Sung: **"Local industry factories must make extensive exploration and use of the raw-material resources of the localities and, in particular, step up their efforts in processing the agricultural and side-line products of the peasants,"** the people in Byokdong made full use of raw and other materials available in their county in developing local industry.

Local factories produced various foodstuffs and soft drink by using wild fruits as raw materials and manufactured Byokdong special wooden products.

While making effective use of natural resources in mountains, the county paid great attention to creating its own stable raw material base by a county-wide movement.

Local industry factories made a deep study of the county's natural and geographical conditions and created their own raw material bases.

Now almost all local industry factories of this county rely on their own raw material bases.

Responsible cadres of the county explained and brought home to working people the teaching of Comrade Kim Il Sung: **"Technical revolution—this is a momentous revolutionary task which will relieve our people, now free from exploitation, of arduous labour, enable them to produce more material wealth while working with ease, and ensure them a more bountiful and cultured life,"** and

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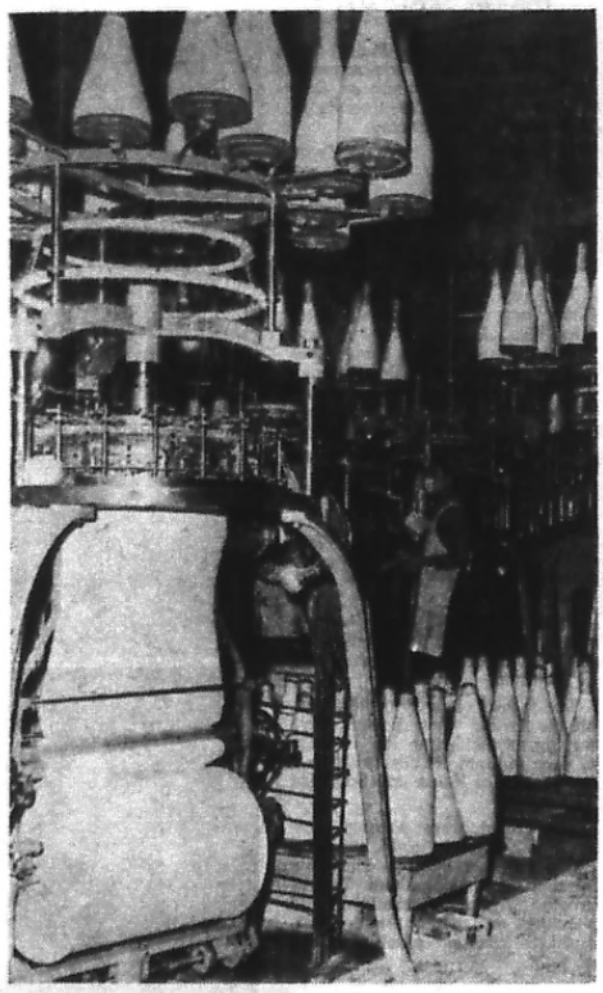

Chollima riders of the factory where Comrade Kim Hi Jun works are making innovations in the production of knit goods every day

Foodstuffs factories built in different parts of the country produce a variety of foodstuffs from raw materials available in localities

South Korea's Medium and Small Enterprises on the Rapid Decline

Today the medium and small enterprises are rapidly going bankrupt in South Korea.

According to a report from South Korea, 125 medium and small enterprises out of 500 in Kangwon Province of South Korea were closed down or at a complete standstill by the end of March. That is nearly 4 times the figure for the end of last year. In Chunchon alone, 12 out of 18 lumber mills have closed down.

Particularly, the mining industry presents a sad picture: 95 per cent of ore mines in South Kyongsang Province are at a standstill and 89 per cent of mines in South Cholla Province either suspended their operation or were closed down.

Due to such a wholesale bankruptcy the production index of the medium and small enterprises has been decreased by the half last year as against 1966 and is on the steady decline this year, according to the curtailed data released by the puppet regime.

Such a catastrophic situation of the medium and small enterprises is due to the vicious policy of colonial plunder pursued by the U.S. imperialists and their lackeys, as well as to their war policy which has become even more undisguised in recent years.

In order to meet the ever-increasing military expenditures the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique, on the orders of the U.S. imperialist aggressors, intend to plunder the people of 265,000 million won of tax this year, that is, 100,000 million won more than last year. To this end, they unload heavy taxes upon the people including the medium and small entrepreneurs.

Meanwhile, they earmark the bulk of state budget for military expenditures and for the maintenance of the fascist machinery. Only a meagre sum of money goes to industry. But even this scant sum is concentrated on comprador capitalists. In view of this situation the medium and small enterprises find it difficult to get loans and their financial difficulties became still worse.

It was for a lack of funds that 50 per cent of the enterprises went bankrupt and 41 per cent suspended their operation this year.

Recently, the U.S. imperialist aggressors and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique who are bent on new war preparations involved a large number of factory workers and rural youth to the "local reserve corps," an instrument to be used as their bullet-shields. And they are forced to undergo military training in worktime. This adds heavily to the difficulty of the management of medium and small enterprises.

Besides, due to the vicious policy of plunder pursued by the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique the medium and small enterprises are faced with serious marketing difficulties. A shortage of electricity, water for industrial use and raw materials makes the matter still worse. The rate of operation is considerably going down, and the production cost increased 14-38 per cent recently.

Such a ruinous state of the medium and small enterprises which make up 92.8 per cent of the total factories and enterprises has inevitably led to a total ruin of South Korea's national economy, increase in the number of the unemployed and aggravation of socio-economic contradictions.

That is why the medium and small entrepreneurs have risen up in a fight against the U.S. imperialist aggressors, the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique and the comprador capitalists, and for the independent development of the national economy and the unemployed workers in dire straits are unfolding a fierce struggle for the right to existence.

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roused them to a technical innovation movement for the progress of local industry.

The textile mill set an example of technical innovation movement to other local industry factories in the county, and a powerful technical innovation movement took place in the county.

The textile mill reequipped its repair and maintenance shop with the help of central industry, collected idle materials and manufactured twisters, warping machines and others to perfect the preparatory process. It also remoulded and replenished other machinery and equipment and increased the rotations of looms sharply. The per-loom output grew markedly and the mill's output augmented 3.5 times.

In this course, this textile mill which produced by handicraft technique only a few metres of hemp canvas, cotton cloth and the like a day, developed into a modern mill which has been fully mechanized or automated and turns out large quantities of goods enjoying great popularity with the folks.

At the soy factory all processes have been automated. Almost all local industry factories in this county are now mechanized or automated.

Today the local industry of Byokdong county, relying on its own stable technical and material foundations, is making rapid progress and producing better goods of greater variety.

Between 1964 and 1968 its output increased by 27.9 per cent annually. And during this period the output value per employee doubled.

In 1968 this county produced over 240 kinds of foodstuffs, daily necessaries and other goods.

Before the liberation each person in this county was supplied with less than 14 cm. of cloth a year. But today this county's local industry alone turns out more than 20 m. per head of its population.

The local industry of this county not only meets the requirements of the population there for consumer goods but also sends its products to neighbouring counties and towns.

This great change made in a short period of 10-odd years in this county is entirely attributable to the profound care and wise guidance of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader.

This county is now continuing its vigorous march towards a brighter future.

The life of the people in ever-prospering Byokdong county is good today but it will be better tomorrow.

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U.S. Imperialists and Pak Jung Hi Puppet Clique Scheming to Punish S. Korean Patriots Can Never Escape from People's Judgement

Pyongyang Mass Meeting Denounces Fascist Suppression of Messrs. Kim Gyu Nam and Pak Dae In and Other South Korean Patriots by U.S. Imperialists and Pak Jung Hi Puppet Clique

Working people in Pyongyang, capital of revolution, held a mass meeting on May 29 bitterly denouncing with surging national indignation the thrice-cursed unpardonable fascist suppression of Messrs. Kim Gyu Nam and Pak Dae In and other South Korean patriots by the U.S. imperialists and their stooges.

Respectfully placed on the platform of the meeting place, which was packed with people of various strata in the city, was a portrait of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader of the 40 million Korean people.

Present at the meeting were Pak Shin Dok, Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the Peaceful Unification of the Fatherland and Chairman of the Central Committee of the Religious Chongwu Party; Li Guk Ro, Ko Jun Taek and Choi Won Taek, Members of the Presidium of the Central Committee of the Fatherland Front; Jon Chang Chol, Chairman of the Central Committee of the General Federation of Trade Unions of Korea; Li Rim Su, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Union of Agricultural Working People of Korea; Oh Gi Chon, Chairman of the Central Committee of the League of Socialist Working Youth of Korea; Hwang Jang Yop, President of Kim Il Sung University; Kim Suk Jo, Rector of the Kim Chaek Polytechnical College; and Jong Song Il, Vice-Chairman of the Pyongyang City People's Committee.

The meeting was addressed first by Li Guk Ro, Member of the Presidium of the Central Committee of the Fatherland Front and Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the Peaceful Unification of the Fatherland.

He noted that the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique put to bestial torture and inhuman persecution Messrs. Kim Gyu Nam and Pak Dae In and other patriotic personages who reportedly conducted their activities against U.S. imperialism and for national salvation in Seoul, Pusan, Bosong and other broad areas of South Korea and abroad.

He said:

It is reported that Messrs. Kim Gyu Nam and Pak Dae In and other patriotic personages, infinitely revering Marshal Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the 40 million Korean people, as the sun of the nation, made a profound study of "Selected Works of Kim Il Sung" and other immortal works of the Leader and grasped his brilliant strategical and tactical lines for the South Korean revolution and national unification, while striving to learn through "Reminiscences of the Anti-Japanese Guerillas" from the indomitable revolutionary spirit of the anti-Japanese guerillas who were boundlessly loyal to the Leader.

They also reportedly conducted activities for building an underground revolutionary party guided by the great revolutionary ideas of Marshal Kim Il Sung and, at the same time, widely introduced and propagandized among the people the incomparable superiority of the most advanced socialist system established in the northern half of the Republic and the happy life of the people there and exposed and explained the aggressive nature of the U.S. imperialists, the sworn enemy of the Korean people.

The speaker stressed: If it is true that they had conducted such energetic activities against U.S. imperialism and for national salvation upholding the revolutionary ideas of Marshal Kim Il Sung, the great Leader, it was a fully righteous and patriotic deed worthy of the high praise of the whole people in North and South Korea.

The fascist suppression of 18 South Korean patriots including Messrs. Kim Gyu Nam and Pak Dae In by the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique, the speaker noted, is the extension and part of their further stepped-up bestial suppression of the South Korean revolutionaries and patriotic people.

He trenchantly denounced the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique who perpetrated the criminal atrocity of "confirming" the death sentence passed at the "first trial" upon Kim Jong Tae, Chairman of the Seoul City Committee of the United Revolutionary Party, depriving him of even the "right of appeal" and committed the thrice-cursed outrages of inflicting capital punishment and heavy penalties again upon his comrades-in-arms on May 26 at the "second trial" against them and "passing" death sentence upon Kwon Jae Hyok and heavy penalties up to life imprisonment upon 11 others at a murderous trial held at the puppet "high court of justice" on May 27 against 12 patriots who were involved in the South Korean Liberation Strategic Party.

He quoted the following words of Marshal Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader: **"Where there is exploitation and oppression, there always comes the resistance of the people. It is inevitable that the South Korean people should fight against the oppressors for their freedom and liberation."**

The speaker pointed out that the South Korean revolutionaries and patriotic people have determinedly risen up in the sacred anti-U.S. national-salvation struggle to overthrow the colonial rule of the U.S. imperialists over South Korea, achieve national liberation, put an end to the tragedy of national split and accomplish the unification of the fatherland, holding aloft the strategic and tactical lines for the South Korean revolution and the unification of the fatherland put forth by Marshal Kim Il Sung, the outstanding Leader of the Korean revolution.

The anti-U.S. national-salvation activities of Messrs. Kim Gyu Nam and Pak Dae In and other South Korean patriots, we think, are part of such patriotic activities, he said, and stressed:

Their activities against U.S. imperialism and for national salvation reflect the unanimous desire and ardent aspiration of all the South Korean people to break away from the dark hell of today as early as possible and enjoy genuine freedom and happiness like the people in the northern half of the Republic under the leadership of Marshal Kim Il Sung, the great Leader, in a unified fatherland.

Their struggle can never be a "crime" and must not become a target of "punishment".

Noting that today the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique are more frenziedly trying to murder collectively South Korean revolutionaries and patriots, he said: This pursues the heinous aim of blocking the revolutionary advance of the people which is rapidly spreading throughout South Korea like a prairie fire and bridging over the serious crisis of the colonial rule shaking to its very foundation. This is nothing but the last kick of the doomed.

Quoting the words of Marshal Kim Il Sung, the great Leader, that **"In spite of the fascist suppression and all kinds of fraudulent artifice of the U.S. imperialists and their puppet clique, the South Korean people will be further awakened and steeled through the struggle and will grow into an invincible revolutionary force which will eventually overthrow U.S. imperialist colonial rule,"** the speaker stressed: Today, the South Korean revolutionaries and patriotic people are further expanding and strengthening the anti-U.S. national-salvation struggle in various forms, including the underground revolutionary struggle and armed guerilla struggle, underground and in mountains, in towns and villages, holding aloft the revolutionary ideas of Marshal Kim Il Sung, the great Leader, and are energetically de-

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Anti-U.S. National-Salvation Struggle of S. Korean People Is Sure to Win

On the Occasion of 5th Anniversary of June 3 Uprising in S. Korea

June 3 is the 5th anniversary of the June 3 uprising that fully demonstrated the patriotic spirit of the South Korean youth and students.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader of the 40 million Korean people, said in his report made at the celebration of the 20th anniversary of the Workers' Party of Korea:

"The struggle waged on June 3, 1964 and a demonstration staged again in August this year were anti-imperialist, anti-fascist patriotic struggles against the U.S.-Japanese imperialists' policy of aggression and for the overthrow of the traitorous clique."

The June 3 uprising against the U.S.-Japanese imperialists and the traitorous Pak Jung Hi gang who were hurrying up with the early conclusion of the "South Korea-Japan talks" lasted for the more than 70 days from March 24 to June 5, 1964.

This struggle, touched off by the demonstration of the students of the Liberal Arts and Sciences College under Seoul University, developed into a riot under the militant slogans "Smash Japanese imperialism!" "Down with the corrupt and incompetent Pak regime!" and "United States, unmask yourself!" and a wave of the fierce struggle swept all over South Korea in an instant.

The patriotic youth and students and citizens surged to the "Chongwadae" (puppet Pak Jung Hi's mansion) and the puppet "government building" through thick forests of bayonets, attacking and destroying puppet police stations and sub-stations and arsenals and beating down vicious policemen.

The uprising involved 310,000 students from 53 universities and colleges and 173 middle and high schools and numerous citizens.

The June 3 uprising was the biggest event in South Korea in its scale and character since the April 19 (1960) popular uprising that toppled the Syngman Rhee dictatorial regime.

It was an explosion of the pent-up resentment and wrath of the South Korean people against the traitorous Pak Jung Hi clique who, having seized power by staging a military coup under the manipulation of U.S. imperialism, were engrossed in traitorous acts, and was a natural outcome of the U.S. imperialists' aggressive policy and of corrupt government and system.

The righteous June 3 uprising of the South Korean youth and students and people shook the puppet rule to its very foundation, frustrated the plot for the early conclusion of the criminal "South Korea-Japan talks" and dealt telling blows to the aggressive policy of U.S. imperialism and the scheme for the reinvasion of the Japanese militarists.

Five years have passed since the patriotic June 3 uprising of South Korean youth and students.

Today South Korea has been turned into a living hell where the people cannot live any longer owing to the U.S. imperialists' policy of aggression and war and the anti-popular, treacherous and criminal policies of their stooges Pak Jung Hi puppet clique.

The traitorous Pak Jung Hi outfit at the instructions and with the active backing of U.S. imperialism intensified the suppression of people, concluded the "South Korea-Japan treaty" and brought the Japanese militarists, the sworn enemy of our people, into South Korea and are now running wild to strengthen the criminal alliance with them.

Thus, today South Korea has been reduced to a double colony of U.S. and Japanese imperialism and all the economic arteries are under the full control of foreign monopoly capital, with the result that the national economy of South Korea suffers from more serious crisis.

The South Korean people, subjected to double and treble exploitation and oppression, are clad in rags and go hungry and suffer unbearable national humiliation and insult at the hands of the U.S. imperialist aggressors.

They determined to rise and fight rather than sit and die at the crossroads of life and death, have come out valiantly in the struggle against the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique.

The struggle of the South Korean people is gaining in scope and strength and it is developing into diverse forms of active anti-U.S. national-salvation struggle, armed struggle included. The struggle gradually becomes organized, takes roots deeply among the workers and peasants, the main force of revolution and is involving broader sections of masses.

The mounting struggle of the South Korean people reflects their fervent desire and their single mind

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veloping all these struggles into a decisive struggle for winning power by means of violence.

He extended, together with the entire people in the northern half of the Republic, the warmest militant salute and warm encouragement to all the South Korean revolutionaries and workers, peasants and entire South Korean people who are keeping up their undaunted struggle in the indomitable fighting spirit, braving the fascist tyranny by the enemy, to accomplish the South Korean revolution and achieve the unification of the fatherland.

The speaker emphasized:

There are for the South Korean people the wise leadership of Marshal Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the 40 million Korean people, peerless patriot, national hero, ever-victorious iron-willed brilliant commander and one of the outstanding leaders of the international communist and working-class movements, and the powerful revolutionary base of the northern half of the Republic and active support and encouragement of the people there.

Then the floor was taken by representatives of all walks of life.

They vehemently denounced in unison the bestial repressive atrocities of the U.S. imperialists, human butchers, and their dirty running dogs, Pak Jung Hi villains, who arrested and imprisoned Messrs. Kim Gyu Nam and Pak Dae In and other South Korean patriotic figures and are trying to collectively punish them.

And they declared that those who must be brought to justice and punished in the name of people are the U.S. imperialist aggressors, the sworn enemy of our people, who have engaged in aggression against our country for over 100 years and their lackeys the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique.

The attendants of the meeting renewed their firm resolve to firmly arm themselves with the revolutionary ideas of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, thoroughly carry out the revolutionary line on stepping up economic construction and defence upbuilding in parallel set forth by him to drive the U.S. imperialist aggressors out of South Korea, unify the fatherland without fail in our generation and achieve the nation-wide victory of the Korean revolution. They also expressed their determination to scale without fail the main heights of the seven-year national economic plan by speeding up the revolution and construction always in a strained and mobilized posture.

New War Plot of U.S. Imperialists and Their Stooges

The U.S. imperialist aggressors have recently held one sinister talk after another in South Korea in their desperate attempt to start another war in Korea.

At the instigation of U.S. imperialism South Vietnam puppet Thieu and puppet Pak Jung Hi had a talk recently. The aim it pursued in this talk was to make these two puppets serve its war policy more faithfully. In this wake there was the "second South Korea-U.S. defence ministerial meeting" for a couple of day from June 3.

According to news dispatches, the "meeting" discussed a number of questions—the "special military aid" for the "modernization of the equipment" of the puppet army, the "increase of the U.S. forces in South Korea," the construction of munitions factories, the Vietnam question, and "security in Southeast Asia."

This goes to show that the U.S. imperialist aggressors' preparations for a new war in Korea have assumed more serious dimensions.

This powder-reeking "meeting" is, in fact, a link of the criminal war machinations that have been promoted desperately in Korea since the villainous war boss Nixon openly declared their new war plot on April 18 after the planned, provocative incident of their spy plane sent deep into our territorial air.

As is already known, the U.S. imperialist aggressors after the incident of their spy plane brought their large aggressive forces into the coastal waters of the northern half of the Republic and into South Korea, reinforced the South Korean puppet army, frantically built or expanded military set-ups and instigated their stooges in South Korea to build up war set-up.

They also conducted almost every day various military exercises including the airlifting exercise aimed at bringing large numbers of troops into South Korea from the United States proper and from their aggressive bases in Japan proper and Okinawa the moment they start another aggressive war in Korea, creating a war atmosphere, and perpetrated more frantically grave military provocations against the northern half of the Republic.

Meanwhile, Nixon recently called the puppet "prime minister" and "vice-prime minister" of South Korea to Washington to give them a "promise" to increase their aggressive forces in South Korea and press hard the traitorous Pak Jung Hi clique for stepping up war preparations. He also sent such high-ranking warmaniacs as the air and naval secretaries to South Korea to "examine" war preparations on the spot and hatch criminal plots for the increase of the puppet army and the "modernization" of its equipment and the provocation of a fresh war with the traitorous Pak Jung Hi clique. The "second South Korea-U.S. defence ministerial meeting" was held to concretize the sinister plots.

The reckless, frantic machinations of the U.S. imperialists to start an aggressive war in Korea are a sinister design to unleash a new war and thereby save their colonial rule which is collapsing rapidly under the blows from the ever expanding revolutionary advance of the masses of the South Korean people who draw inspiration from the great might of our Republic which has increased immeasurably under the wise guidance of the great Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung.

Through these frantic machinations the U.S. imperialists seek to brutally suppress the people and eliminate all forces that are in the way of executing their war policy and to encourage the traitorous Pak Jung Hi clique trembling with fear to the provocation of another war.

With no war racket and atrocious, brutal repression, however, can the U.S. imperialists and their stooges frighten the Korean people and stop the anti-U.S. national-salvation struggle of the South Korean people.

The U.S. imperialists will only spell their doom by such reckless war machinations.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader of the 40 million Korean people, said as follows:

"The Korean people do not want war but are never afraid of it. If the enemy forces a new war upon us, all the people will rise as one in a heroic struggle to defend the great socialist gains in the northern half of the Republic, attain the complete liberation and unification of the fatherland and safeguard peace in Asia and the world and will deal annihilating blows to the enemy."

Our people and People's Army have been built up into invincible combat ranks closely united as one under the wise leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Chief of the 40 million Korean people, outstanding Leader of the revolution, military strategist-genius and ever-victorious iron-willed brilliant commander, and they are fully prepared to smash any provocation or surprise attack of the enemy at a blow.

If the enemy, not looking squarely at reality, dares to start another war, he will be wiped out in this land for good.

The enemy must know clearly that the Korean people under the sagacious guidance of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the revolution, don't like to make empty talk.

Kim Pyong

One More South Korean Puppet Army Soldier Comes Over to Northern Half of Republic

One more South Korean puppet army soldier came over recently to the northern half of the Republic with a do-or-die spirit, unable to endure any longer the colonial fascist rule of U.S. imperialism and its stooges and their frantic new war provocation manoeuvres in Korea.

He is Oh Gwang Il, head (sergeant) of the 1st squad, R.B. platoon, 7th company, 2nd battalion, 2nd regiment, 6th division of the South Korean puppet army.

The former South Korean puppet army soldier said: Through my bitter experience in the past, I keenly realized that there is only an ignominious dog's death for me in South Korean society rotten to the core under the heinous colonial fascist rule of U.S. imperialism and that the only way for me, a Korean youth, to free myself from shameless crime and death is to come over to the northern half of the Republic where everybody is living happily in the bosom of Marshal Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader of the 40 million Korean people.

My long-cherished resolve was carried out by decidedly coming over to the northern half of the Republic when I was sent on sentry duty on the front line.

Today the South Korean people and the officers and men of the South Korean puppet army boundlessly revere Marshal Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader of the 40 million Korean people, and are eagerly looking forward to the day when they will live happily like the people in the northern half of the Republic in the warm bosom of Marshal Kim Il Sung, by accomplishing the unification of the fatherland as early as possible, and their spirit of struggle against the U.S. imperialists and Pak Jung Hi puppet clique is mounting ever higher, he added.

Having been embraced in the bosom of the northern half of the Republic daily thriving and developing under the outstanding leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader, Oh Gwang Il is now spending very happy days amid the warm hospitality of the compatriots.

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to live happily in a unified fatherland under the wise leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the brilliant Leader.

Having realized more clearly through their life experience that the only way to free themselves from South Korean society which has been turned into a land of darkness and a living hell and live freely and happily is to live in the broad bosom of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of our people, the South Korean people are pledging to be faithful to the Leader and are full of a firm determination to accomplish the South Korean revolution and unify the fatherland even at the cost of their lives.

Guided by the great revolutionary ideas of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader of the 40 million Korean people, the members of the United Revolutionary Party including Kim Jong Tae illegally arrested and imprisoned by the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique and the South Korean revolutionaries and patriots have fought stubbornly to accomplish the cause of national-liberation democratic revolution by driving out the U.S. imperialist aggressor forces from South Korea, overthrowing their stooges and achieving the independent unification of the country.

Scared by the vigorous advance of the South Korean people who, boundlessly revering the Leader, are waging tirelessly the anti-U.S. national-salvation struggle, the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique are more frantically engrossed in fascist suppression to repress the fervent desire of the South Korean people to live happily in a unified fatherland under his leadership, while stepping up a new war racket against the northern half of the Republic.

The U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi fascist band are extensively expanding various repressive machines and enacting more evil laws to subject the South Korean revolutionary organisations and revolutionaries to fascist suppression.

They have arrested and imposed brutal punishments on a great number of revolutionaries and patriotic people by fabricating various "cases." They committed a thrice-cursed bestiality of cruelly killing in prison Comrade Choi Yong Do, Chairman of the South Cholla Provincial Committee of the United Revolutionary Party, who had been unjustly arrested and put in jail by them. They are now exhausting every means to collectively punish members of this party including Kim Jong Tae, ardent patriot and indomitable revolutionary fighter.

The fascist hangmen illegally arrested numerous patriots including Messrs. Kim Gyu Nam and Pak Dae In who conducted anti-U.S national-salvation activities and are now trying to punish them collectively.

This shows how far the fascist frenzy of the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi fascist bandits has gone.

With nothing, however, can the enemy check the revolutionary advance of the South Korean people.

This is clearly proved by the fact that today in South Korea the flame of the anti-U.S. national-salvation struggle is flaring up more fiercely day by day in defiance of the brutal suppression by the U.S. imperialists and their lackeys.

The anti-U.S. national-salvation struggle the South Korean people are waging upholding the revolutionary ideas of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the revolution, is sure to win.

Kim Gwang Su

Delegation of Korean National Peace Committee Leaves Here to Visit Finland

A delegation of the Korean National Peace Committee headed by Li Jong Chol, its Vice-Chairman, left here on June 4 by air to visit Finland at the invitation of the Finnish Peace Committee.

The delegation will attend events to be held in Finland for expressing solidarity with the struggle of the Korean people for driving the U.S. imperialist aggressor troops out of South Korea.

A DPRK Women's Union Delegation Leaves to Attend World Women's Congress and 6th Meeting of WIDF

A Women's Union delegation of our country headed by Li Gyong Suk, Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the Korean Democratic Women's Union left Pyongyang on June 6 by air to attend the World Women's Congress and the 6th meeting of the Women's International Democratic Federation to be held in Helsinki, the capital of Finland.

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